

Itinerarium totius Sacra Scriptura.

A Description of the

LAND OF CANAAN

With other PROVINCES, TOVVNS & PLACES mentioned in the old & New TESTAMENTS.

WHEREIN.

The CITY of Jerusalem is described, as it stood in our Saviours time, how it was destroyed, and as it is at this present.

WITH

A Treatife of WEIGHTS, MONEYES & MEASURES opoken of in the Scriptures, reduced to the English spoken of in the Scriptures, reduced to the English quantity, valuation and weight.

ALSO,

A Narration of the Lives and Actions of all the Holy Patriarchs, Prophets, Judges, Kings, our Saviour and his Apostles, and a Chronology of their TIMES.

A Worke very profitable, and will give great & light to the understanding of the Holy Bible.

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The Preface to the Reader.



Thath alwaies beene held a matter worth note (gentle Reader)
euento the best Dinines, to have the Typographical description of the townes and places, as they are mentioned in the Scriptures; and so much the rather, because by comparing the actions of men with the beginnings and endings of Cities, they might the better understand the Prophets, and perceine the

wonderfull providence of God; who by his omnigotencie so disposeth of Estates, that such Cities and Nations which have beenemightie and ruled vponthe earth, with great power, notwithstanding on a sudden, and by unexpected events, have beene uterly subserted and overstrowne. Now that these things might be more apparant, I have in as good and briefe a method as I can, gathered out of sundry Authors, the particular description of the Cities, Townes, and places, as they are mentioned in the Scriptures; where they stood, under whose command, at what time they grew mightie, and how lost and decayed.

To this also I have added a particular narration of the Tranels of all the hols Patriarchs, Prophets, Princes, Indges, Kings, Emperours, our bleffed Saniour, and his Apostles: to what townes they trauelled, what memorable actions they did in those places; with a short Chronologie of the times: that so by comparing this discourse with any text of Scripture, you may perceive the time when those accidents happened. All whichthings (I am perswaded) will proue no lesse pleasant than profitable, and will give a great light to the understanding of the Bible. But if you question with me, How it is possible that I should come to the knowledge of those things, considering that Babylon, Niniuey, Ierusalem, and most of the Cities of the Holy Land, are long since wasted and decaied? to this I answer; therein consists the greatnesse of the Trauell, because I have beene constrained to vse the helpe of many Authors, who amongst other long and learned discourses, have here and there glanced at the actions that were done in the land of Indaa: among st which are Strabo, Ierome, de Locis Hebraicis, Plinie, Liuie, Plutarch, and many others, who have described in the actions of the Persians, Chaldwans, Gracians, and Romans, the state of the Iewes as it stood in those times, with the Description of the Cities, and townes. And Saint Icrome, who lined in that countrie, tooke a great

To the Reader.

deale of paines to rectifie these imperfect discourses which more obscure authors have laboured in, and left to future ages; that so those which would, might by their dilligence, and care make them viefull to informe their understanding both concerning the state of the Iewes, and the obscure meaning of some of the prophesses.

Also the scienation and destruction of Ierusalem, a thing pleasant and prositable to know, and no whit unworthis your confideration. How all or the most part of the Townes, Cicies, Countries, Nations, Islands, Seas, Defarts, Mountaines, and most memorable places, are seituated from it; how many miles English they stand distant, what memorable actions have beene done in them, and for the most part

where they stood, and how they are at this day.

Besides (to make this a perfect worke) you shall finde after the end the old Testament, and before the beginning of the new; a discourse concerning the weights, measures, and monies which are mentioned in the Scriptures, reduced onto our valuation, how they were current among the lewes, how with other people, nations, and countries: by which meanes that necessitie of commutative Instice, for which monies were principally insented, will be apparent; and by this meanes you shall perceine what equalitie there is and hath beene vsed among ft Nations, for the ordaining of measures and monies : by which you may perceive, that this universe being compared together, seemeth but one large and spacious Empire, how soener under diners gonernments.

Againe, the perigrination of our Saniour, the manner of his wonderfull nativitie, his long and tedious journies, the condition of his estate whiles he was upon the earth, and (as neere as can be quest) at what time he did most of his miracles; how he behaued himselfe when he was betraied, with a description of the manner of his death: and the Trauels of Peter, Paul, and many other of his Apostles after his death. All which things I have with much labour compiled together for your profit, and expect nothing in recompence for my paines, but your love. And fo I

commit you to God

Yours.

R. B.



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RABLE, SIR HENRY MOVNTAGVE Knight, Lord chiefe Iustice of the Kings Majesties BENCH.

Right Honourable, and my very good Lord)that there is nothing wherin there is life, but it hath either motion or action; and such is the condition of man, that a greater measure of both is imposed ypon him, to humble him, than ypon many other creatures: The whole course of his life being compared vntoa Pilgrimage, in which state a man can presume vpon no certaine continuance. For as a Traueller that intendeth: to finish his journey, staies not in his Inne, but desires more to be upon his way, than in his bed: so it is with man, who cannot possesse himselfe in rest, from the time of his birth untill his death, and oftentimes is troubled with needleffe, and vnprofitable Labours, to attaine vnto his ends; which got, both they and he, perish. Let Alexander that great Emperour, be a president of this; who with much Labour, having got a great estate, enjoyed it but a short time: and you may reade in this Treatife, with what intollerable paines Antigonus Epiphanes endeauoured to establish his kingkingdome to him; and yet in the end purchased little but a lamentable death. There is none of the Patriarchs, Princes, Iudges, Kings. Prophets, Apostles, or others mentioned in the Scriptures, that could make evident in the whole course of their life, any better than a laborious and tedious Pilgrimage. With what paines did Abraham wander from Chaldæa, into the land of Canaan? How was Moles tormented in the Wildernesse? almost to the losse of his soule; but absolutely neuer to come into the promised land. And for David, how miferably lived hee, when he could not trust his owne friends? this is the state of man, and to say truth, he differs in little (beside reason) from other creatures; and that either lockt vp in filence, or not exprest in some memorable action, makes him so much the more capable of mifery: being onely able to diftinguish of joy and feare. And that these things may be the more apparant, I have endeauoured to collect out of the Works of others, this Treatife, wherein is briefly described the Trauels of all the Prophets, Princes, &c. together with the condition of Cities, Countries, Islands and other memorable places, as they are mentioned in the Old and New Testaments. All which, that I might expresse that dutie which hath a long time lien concealed, I have wholly dedicated to your LL. service: humbly intreating your favourable acceptance of my paines ; that so being shrouded under your Ho. protection, they may the better withftand the aduerse opinions of such as please to censure them.

At your Hon , feruice .

R.B.



BRIEF DECLARATION of Geometricall Measures.



Degree of the Heauens is 15 Germane or Dutch miles one minute is one quarter of a Dutch mile: so that foure minutes makes a Dutch mile.

A Dutch mile is foure thousand paces: the Divergitio Spanish miles be very neer so long as the Dutch.

A French mile is two thousand paces: a Walloon or Italian mile is a thousand paces; so that soure Walloon miles make a Dutch mile.

The word mile is derived from the Latine word Mille; for one thousand paces make a Wallon mile, as Gualtherus H. Renins wii. teth.

Of Stades or Furlongs.

This word Stadium in Latine, in English a Furlong, is a mea-fure of ground, whereof there be three forts, stalicum, olympicum, Pythicum. That of Italy contained 625 feet, which is 125 paces, halfe a quarter of an Italian mile. The second fort was of the hill Olympus in Greece, where was a game or prise kept by the Princes and Cities of Greece euery fifth yeare, in the honour of Hercules, who first began it. This measure of ground Stadium 0lympicum contained 600 feet, that is,120 paces. The third kind of stade or furlong contained 1000 feet, which is 200 paces; wherof haply arose the difference of Pliny and Diodorus Sisulus in defcribing Sicily.

Fifteen Dutch miles make a Degree, and a Degree of the hea. What a Foruens answereth to 480 furlongs vpon earth; whereby it is mani- long is, fest that 32 furlongs is a German or common Dutch mile.

One minute equalleth eight Furlongs, which make an Italian or Wallon mile, the fourth part of a Dutch mile. Two minutes of the heavens or fixteen furlongs make a Dutch mile. Four half of a Dutch mile. Three minutes equal 24 stades or Furlongs, which make three quarters of a Dutch mile. Four minutes equal

32 furlongs, that is to fay, a German or Dutch mile.

The holy Evangelists, S. Luke, ca. 24. ver. 13. and S. Iohn, ca. 11. ver. 8. reckon the way by Furlongs. S. Luke faith the Towne Emaus was distant from Ierusalem fixty Furlongs: and Saint Iohn faith Bethania was 15 Furlongs distant from Ierusalem. Whence it appeareth, that Emaus was distant from Ierusalem almost two Dutch miles, seuen Wallon miles and a halfe; and Bethania almost halfe a Dutch mile, which is a mile, a half, & halfa quarter.

Islephus writeth, That Mount Olivet was distant from Ierusalem fine Furlongs, that is a little more than halfe a quarter of a Dutch mile, which is half an Italian mile and half a quarter. The fame Iosephus faith. That the circuit of the city of Ierusalem was 33 Furlongs, a Dutch mile and halfea quarter. Others fay it was fouremiles in compasse, which beeing understood of Italian or Walloon miles, make little or no difference, feeing it is but the halfe of a halfe quarter of a Dutch mile.

Strabo writeth, That the city of Babylon was 380 Furlongs in circuit, that is twelve Dutch miles. The circuit of Samaria was twenty furlongs, that is halfe a Dutch and halfe a quarter, which

is two Italian miles and a halfe.

How the Romans measured their miles.

He Romans measured their miles by paces, which they call Pallus, and that kind of measuring is done after this maner; Foure barley cornes laid long-waies one by the other make the bredth of a finger, foure fingers broad make the bredth of an hand, foure hands broad make the length of a foot, which meafure is now extant; five feet make a Geometricall or great pace; one hundred twenty fine fuch paces are a Furlong; eight Furlongs are one thousand paces or Wallon mile; two thousand paces are a French mile.

Exgranis quatuor formabitur vneu. Est quater in palmo digitus, quater in pede palmus, Quinque pedes passum faciunt, passus quoque centum Viginti quinque stadium dant : Sed milliare Octo dabunt stadia ; duplicatum sit tibi Leuca.

Four thousand paces are a Dutch mile, I mean a common Dutch mile, whereof fifteen are reckoned to a degree of the heavens; for the Switfer miles are commonly a quarter of a Dutch mile longer than common Dutch miles. But through this book by miles we understand common Dutch miles, whereof four thousand paces make a mile.

Whosoeuer will understand S. Ierom wel, de locis Habraicis, must mark whether he reckons by miles or by flones; the miles specified by him are Wallon miles, whereof four make a Dutch mile as aforefaid: the stone whereof he writeth (wherby also they did measure and divide the way) are reckoned fix to a Dutch mile.

To the end that all men that have any little understanding in Geometry and Cosmography may make the Tables, and cast them, and at their pleasure inlarge or diminish them; I have here for their direction fet downe the longitude and latitude of the most principal towns: the former number shew the degrees and minutes of the longitude, the later numbers decrate the degrees and minutes of the latitude.

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OTyrus	67.60	33.20	Lydda	65.43	32,06
Zarepta	67.10	33.28	Ioppen	65.40	32.05
Kedes	67.14	33.00	Mesiada castellum	66.21	31.47
Chabul	67.04	33.04	Mærum lacus	66.36	32.25
Rechob	67.13	33-14		66.33	32.33
Abela Betha macha	67.20	32.59	Sunem	66 35	
Senim Vallis	97.01	32.58	Naim		32.33
Carmel	66 35	37.50	Napthalis	67.06	32.57
Cana maior	67.13	33-24	Bethoron Superior	66.00	32.14
Canaminor	67.52	32.48	Bethoron inferior	65.54	32.00
Nazercth	66.56	32.42	Gazar	66.10	32.20
	66.45	32.38	Bethfan	66 41	32 23
Tabor	66.45	32.29	Endor	66.26	32.27
Capernaum	66.53		Megiddo	66.02	32.32
Bethfaida	66.51	32.29	Thebetz	66.30	32,25
Corazim	66.53	32.29	Aphec	65.28	32.32
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Befeck	66 34	32.24	Dan	67.25	33.08
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Gibea Saulis	66.57	31.55	Ephion.	66.42	32.20
Kiriath jearim	65.58	31.55	Ennon	66.40	32.16
Terufalem	66.00	31.55	Gamala	66.55	32.25
Babutim	66.03	31.56	Salem	66.37	32.18
Ephraim	66.08	32.00	Chrit torrens	66.16	31.57
Gilgal	66.12	32.0I	Offia Iordanis	66.17	
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Timnah	65.48	31.54	Zoar vel Sagor	66.17	31.43
Zarca	65.51		Eruptio Zered		31.38
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Bethania	66.0I	32.0I	Aftheroth	66.50	32.20
Bethlehem	65.55	31.54		67.00	32.26
Debir	66.10	31.51	Astaroth	66.57	32.23
Iarmouth	00,10	31.58	Gadara	66.48	32.23
Azecha	65.37	31.51	Machanaim	66,44	32.19
Lachis	61.51	31.54	laczar	66.39	32.12
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	95.49	31.50	Nobach	66.38	32.16
Debir	65.32	31.46	T achfa	66.28	32 02:
Bethfur	65.47	31.48	Aroce	66.30	32.00
Kechila	65.38	31.47	Macherus	66,23	31.56
Marela	65.42	31.54	Minith	66.36	32.66
Maon	95.380	31.41	Midian	66 20	31.55
Carmel	65.40	31.44	Didon	66.32	32.06
Ziph	65,38	31 43	Punuel	66.39	31.18
Arah	65.45	31.37	Edrei 💰	66.15	32.21
Hebron	65.22	31.45	Abela Vincarum	67.00	32.23
Gerer	05.37	31,42	Philadelphia	67.10	32.22
Kades barnea	65.22	34,29	Pella .	67.03	32.20
Adar	65.12	131,32	Phiala fons	67.43	33.05
Carcaha	65.06	31.30	Berharan	67.30	32.08
Halmona	65.00	31.20	Pifgamons	66 16	32.01
Bethlemes	65.45	31.55	Abarim montes	66.29	31.58
Beerfabah	65.3 I	31.40	Townes in Egypt.		3.470
Siclag	65.15	31.37	Memphis	61.50	29.50
Ecron	65.40	31.58	Heliopolis	62.15	
Azotus	65.35	31.00	Tanie	62.20	29.59 29.50
Astalog	65.24	31.52	Taphnis	62 30	31.00
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Delta magnum	62.00	30 00	Townes in Arabia Petraa.		
Xois	62.30	30.45	Petra	65.40	31.48
Bulitis	62.30	20.15	Paran	94.30	30.04
Hrfinoe	63.20	29.10	Midian	65.30	29.15
Solis fons	158.15	28.00	Heliongebar	65.35	29,00
Journies out of Aygpt.			Elana villa harla velelath95.35		29.15
Raemses	62.00	30.05	Oftia Wili.		
Pihachiroth	62.50	29.40	Canopicum	66.50	31.05
Mara	63.35	29.50	Bolbithinum	61.30	31.05
Elim	63,45	39.50	S:benniticum	61.45	31.05
luxta mare	63:55	29.45	Pathmiticum	92.35	31.10
Paran promontorium	65.00	29,00	Mendelium	62.45	31:10
Daphea	64.14	29.46	Pelufiacum	63.15	31.15
Alus	64.30	29.46	Thou	63.00	31.30
Raphiddim	64.40	29.53	Sirbonis lacus cruptio	65.45	31.50
Sinai mons	65.00	30.00	Sirbonis Iacus	63.30	31.10
Hazeroth	65.50	30.14	ldem	63.45	31.10
Zephor mons	65.54	30.50	Ciuitas Pelulium	36,25	31.20
Mozeroth	64.18	39.04	Rhinocorura	94.40	31.10
Halmona	65.09	31.30	Some other great	1	
Gidgad mons	65.30	30,20	Babilon	76.00	
Iothabatha	65.30	26.40	Antiochia	60 30	33.35
Habrona	65.30	29.40	Damascus	68.55	33.00
Helion Gaber	65,30	29.20	Palmira	72.40	35.10
Sin	66.00	29.56	Vr chaldcorum	78.00	39.40
Hor mons	66.00	30,25	Echathana	88.00	37.45
Salmona	66,25	30.40	Rages in Media	93.40	36,04
Phunon	66.30	30.54	Sula in Persia	83.00	34.15
Oboth	66.50	31.04	Perfepolis	91.00	
Icab a rim .	67.00	31.18	Heccatompilon in Pa		37.50
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Almon diblathaim	66.48	31.24	Haram in Melopotas	nia 75 15	
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Beer puteus	66.50	23,00	Ciræ næ	\$0.00	31.20
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The description of the Citie of Ierusalem,

as it was before Titus Vefpafian and de proyed its

He most holy and beautiful city of Ierusalem, was twice deftroyed; first by Nebuchadnezzar, the most puissant King of Babylon, who did vtterly beat downe and ouerthrow the Citie, burning the costly Temple, which King Solomon had built. After that, Zorobabel and the high Priest Ioshua,

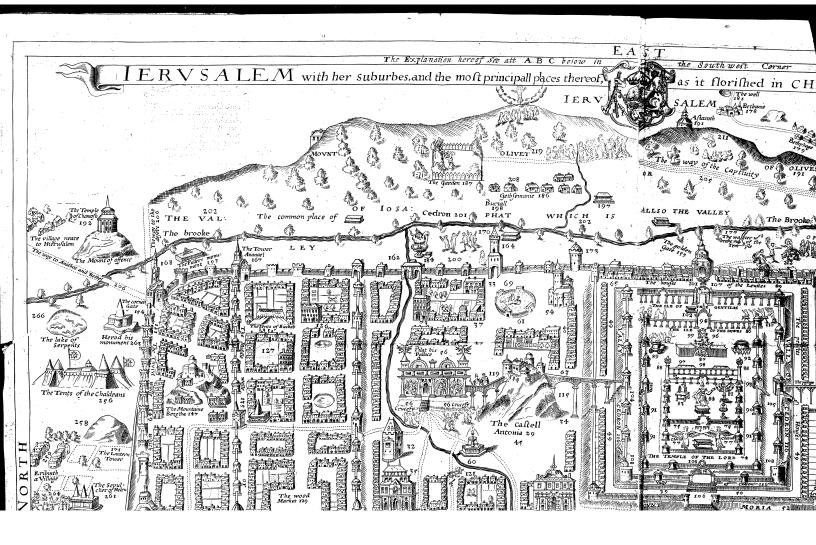
when they returned from the captulitie of Babylon, re-edified and built againe both the Citie and the Temple, in the yeare beforethe birth of Christ, 535. But the second temple which was built after their returne, was neither fo faire, nor fo great as the first; for it was twenty * Cubits lower than the former. After *Cubisus,is a that King Herod, 17 yeares before the birth of Christ, caused the bredths, foure faid Temple to be broken downe againe (as losephus faith) and

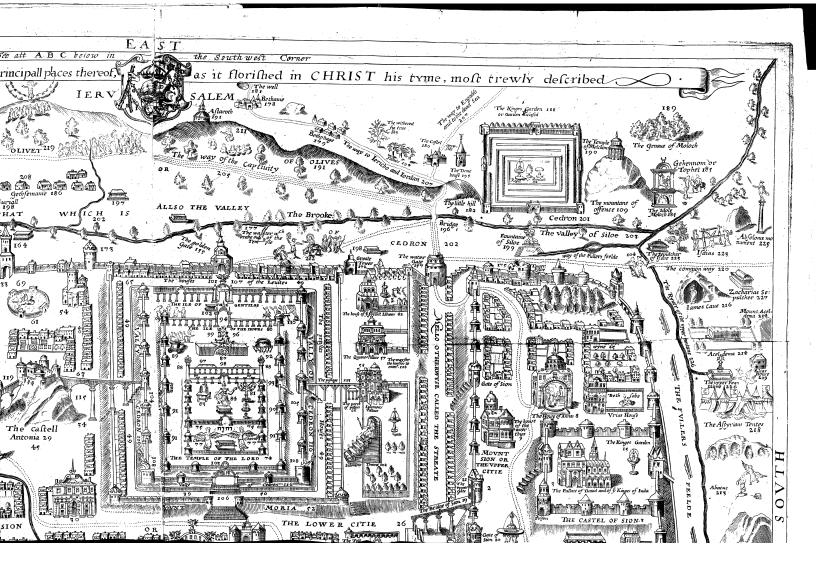
erected another new Temple in place thereof, which nevertheleffe was not like the first temple that Solomon builded, as touchmer times the ing the greatnesse, but it was exceeding fairely decked and adorned with gold and filter, to that in regard of the beautifulnesse man: c.bitus, thereossit was a wonder vnto all that came to Ierusalem. Which a cubando, the Temple (40 yeares after Christs death and Astention) was also vtterly destroyed by Titus, the sonne of Flavius Vespassan the Emvpon, from the perour. I will describe the some of the Citie Ierusalem, as it was be-

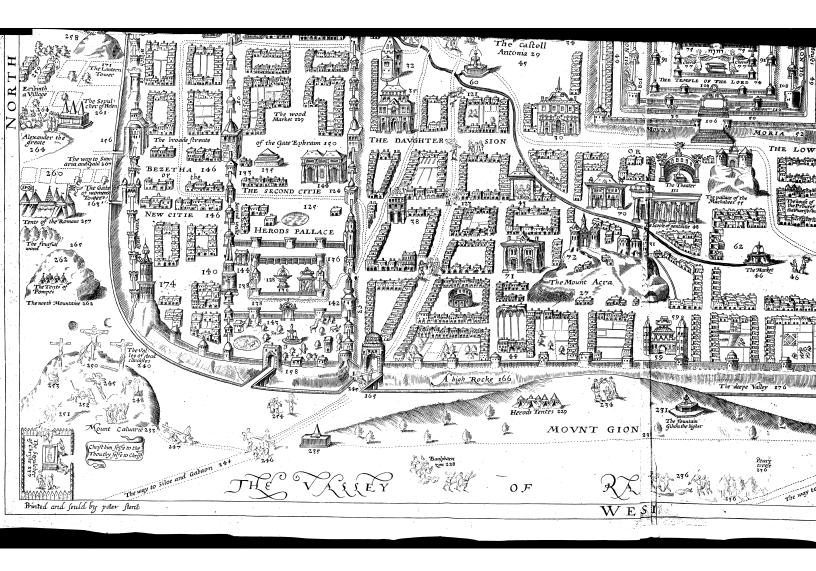
fore it was defaced by Titus, the sonne of Vespasian, and therewithall I will shew, how the costly Ornaments, which Solomon placed therein, flood: for, feeing that the two brasen Pillars and the great Molten sea, were not therin, when our Lord Iesus Christ liued vpon earth, being broken downe by Nabuchadnezzars soldiers,

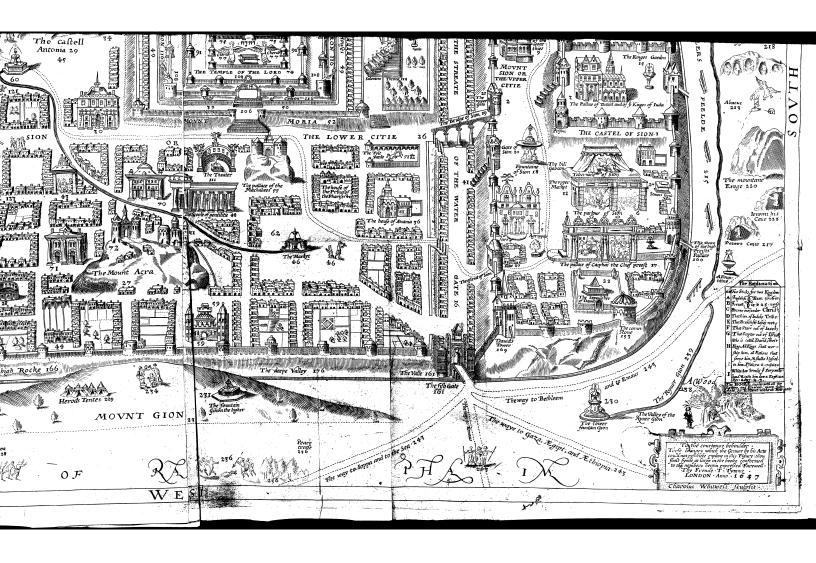
foot, and an halfe, fix hand and twentie fingers broad. being in for-

> vie to leane clbow to the hand. Victru: lib.z. Cal. Lexicon.









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it is therefore necessary and very requisite to bee knowne how they flood, and to the end that the Reader may be fully fatisfied. I will also first declare the citie of Ierusalem as it was in those dayes, with the chiefest Places, Walls, Towers, Gates, Houses, Castles, Fountaines, Hills, Vallies, and all the principall things มอกรับการณ์จุบาน การการนี้เปลา เป็นการเกิดเกาะเกียบ เกาะเกียบ เกาะเกียบ เกาะเกียบ เกาะเกียบ เกาะเกียบ เกาะเกีย ระดี _เนื่อวัสสุด กรจี **วบก**ารพระเอ**นท์วี** มาที่ กรระดี

How the Citie Ierusalem is scienate, and standeth distant from Germany.

THe Towne of Neurenberch is scituate in the middle of Ger. I manie, or neere thereabouts, and lerulalem is diffant from Neurenberch fiue hundred * miles:but if you will trauell to Venice, and from thence to Ierufalem it is fine hundred and fiftie * English. mail is fubjection, called the City Lebugare. The armentship name was held a long time of we read his process or conferences.

The Chantion of Levufalem. 15 116 4 1900.

TErufalem was foure square, and scituated vpon soure mount of the stituataines, viz. Mount Sion, Mount Moriah, Mount Adrajand tion of the Moun Bezethan Langor I at 1 # 1 10 Propher Land Mountaines, whereon leads Mount Sion was the highest of all, and lay within the citie of falen sood, Ierusalem towards the South, whereon stood King Davids house or the castle of Sion, and the vppermost towne.

Mount Moriah, whereon the Temple Rood, with other excellent buildings and Towers, was on the East side of the city, within the WHY? ा one one of several seve

Mount Acra, whereon the lower towns was built, flood Westward in the citie, where Annas, Caiphas, Pilot, Herod Agrippa, Bernice, Helena, and other Kings and great Princes dwelt. Deech police that Warm of to land to

The holy Citic of Iernfalem may in this manner be briefely described.

He most holy and beautifull Citie of Ierusalem (if any The description would confider the three principall parts of the World, on of Ieula-Europe, Asia, and Affrica) stood in the middest of the World, lent.

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voon most high mountaines and rockes, like an earthly Paradife, aliuely figure of the everlasting Citie of God. This Citie, being the metropolitan or principallest Citie of the Iewes, stood in the Tribe of Benjamin; at the first it was called Salem, that is, Peaceable: when Melchisedech, the Priest of God, raigned therein, which hee also built after the Deluge (as Issephus and Egissppus write.) But at that time, it was not very great; for it stood onely vpon Mount Sion. Mount Moriah, where Abraham would have offered his sonne Isaac, stood without the Citie, and after that they tooke it into the Citie, as when time serueth it shall be declared.

After the death of Melchisedech, vntowhom Abraham payd the Tythes of all his goods, the lebusites dwelt in the Citie of lerusalem and had the dominion of it and all the land thereabouts in their subjection, called the City Iebus, after their name; which name was held a long time, as we reade in losual the 10. Iud. 10. & 2. Samuel, 1. But at the last loab, King Danids Generall of his Armie, woon it, & draue the lebusites out of it, and called it lerusalem, that is, a fight or vision of Peace. It hath also other names in the holy Scripture, for in Elan 29, it is called Ariel, that is, Gods Lyon, and mount Libanus. * The Prophet Ezechiel 23. calleth it Ahaliba, my fixed Panillion or Tent, that is, a Citic wherein God theCeder trees had placed his owne habitation. out of Mount

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THe City of Ierusalem was foure square, and in circumference three and thirtie * furlongs, as Iosephus writeth, which three and thirty Furlongs make somewhat more than a Dutch mile. Some write that it was foure miles compasse about, yet these were not Dutch miles, but Wallon or Italian miles: for foure fuch Italian miles are a Dutch mile.

Of mount Sion the higher Citie.

Ount Syon flood Northwards in the Citie Ierusalem, and was much higher than all the other Hills that were therein, therefore

therefore it was called Sion, that is, a watch Tower. because from thence one might see the Holy land, and all the countries thereabout: vpon this Hill, the vpper Citie was built, which in the Scripture is called the City of David, because David wan it from the lebusites, and beautified it with many goodly houses, & faire and costly buildings: but especially with his house of Cedar wood, which hee termed the castle of Sion, which stood Westwards at the corner of the Hill, looking into Bethlehem Southwards. In that house David dwelt, and therein committed adulterie with Berseba the wife of Vriah the Hittite; whose house also with the place of diuers privile Councellers and officers, stood vpon the faid Hill, not faire from the Kings Pallace, as Tofephus writeth.

Beneath King Davids house, voon Mount Sion, within a Rocke, there was to be seene the sepulchre or vault wherein King David, Solomon his fon, and other fucceeding Kings of Iuda, were entombed and buried.

Vpon mount Syon alfo (towards the East) King Herod had a Garden of pleasure, not farre from the Fountaine called Silo, Nemiah 3, and there also stood the Tower of Silo, whereof Luke in

the 13 chapter maketh mention.

tofephus (in the warres of the Iewes, his first book, and sixteenth chapter) faith, That King Herod under whom Christ Iesus was borne, had two faire and strong houses or Towers, which hee set and made in the vpper part of the City Ierusalem, vpon mount Syon, which were in a manner comparable with the Temple for beautifulnesse, which he called after the name of his friends; the one Cæsarea, for Casar the Emperors sake, and the other Agrippa, according to the name of the noble Roman Marcus Agrippa, that married the daughter of Augustus Casar.

This may suffice to declare the scituation of the vpper Citie, which stood upon mount Sion, and conteyned in circuit fifteene furlongs, which is about halfe a mile. This vppermost Citle, in the facred Scripture is called the Citie of David, it was also cal-Millo, that is, fulnesse or plenty, for in it there was no want; but 0f

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of the steps which descended downe from the citie of David unto the lower Citie.

Mount Sion, whereon the upper citie of Ierusalem did stand, was such a high hard hill, and so steepe, that no man could climbe or ascend vnto it by any way or meanes but only one that is, by steps; for in the middle thereof there was a great paire of staires made, which descended from Davids Citie vnto the lower Citie, into the valley or dale of gates, called Thyroreion, which staires were 780 foot * high, as Iohannes Heydonius writeth; and beneath in the valley of Thyroreion, ouer against the valley of Celdron, at the foot of the staires stood a gate, which was called the gate of Sion; and they which went vp to mount Sion must passe through that gate, and sovp those staires; but it is thought neverthelesse, that in some other part of the hill there was some winding or other oblique way made, by which, horses and chariots by little and little might ascend.

Allegoricall or Spirituall significations of mount Sion.

C Ion in Hebrew fignifieth a fure hold or goodly afpect; for that from the top thereof a man might have seen all the land lying thereabouts; and was a type of the highest heavens, or habitation of Almighty God, from whence he beholdeth all things vpon earth; from which throne and heavenly habitation he descended into this lower Ierusalem, and became our Redeemer & Sauiour, that so we being purged by his bloud, from all our sinnes and impersections, he might bring vs into that heavenly Ierusa. lem which is eternall glorie.

Of Mount Moriah on which the Temple stood.

Mount Moriah stood Eastward within Ierusalem, which was a most hard stony hill, from whence rowards the rising of the Sunne, men by staires might easily descend; but round about on the other three sides it was steepe and vnapprochable, like a stone wall: yet it was not so high as Mount Sion, howbeit it was exceeding high, extending and reaching 600 foot in height: and on the top thereof was a very faire plaine, like vnto that of Mount Sion, whereon in times past Abraham builded an Altar, and would have offered his sonne Isaac for a Sacrifice, Gen. 22.

At which time, when Abraham obeyed the commandement of God, intending to have offered his sonne Isaac vpon the Hill, and thereon had made an Altar, then the said Hill lay without the Citie but long time after, about the space of 850 yeres, when King David had conquered Ierusalem, and driven thence the Iebusites; to enlarge the Citie, he compassed in Mount Moriah and Mount Acra with a wall, vpon which there stood many goodly buildings. And among it other things worthy observation, vpon this Mount food the Barne or Threshing floore of * Arafna the * Or Azauna, Iebusite, wherein King David built an Altar, offered burnt Offerings, & befought the Lord that the Angell of God (whose hand was firetched over Ierufalem, holding a bloodie fword, and had smitten the Cirie with the pestilence) might cease from punishing the same, and the plague ceased. On the same place where the Barne of Arafna the Ichusite stood, King Solomon also did build the Temple, 1. Paral. 23.24. Iofeph. Antiq. Iud. lib. 23.24.

An Allegoricall or Spirituall interpretation of Monnt Moriah.

Moriah is as much to fay, as The Lords Mirrhe, and fignifi-eth our Lord Iesus Christ, which is the true Mirrhe & sweet smelling Sacrifice vnto God; a stedsast Rocke, an immoueable Foundation, whereon Gods Church and the members thereof are built, Efay 28. Matt. 16. V ponthis Rocke will I build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevaile against it. Moriah is also expounded to be Cultus & timor Domini, the worship and seare of God; and that in the same place the figurative service of God should begin and continue untill the comming of Christ.

The description of the Temple of Ierusalem. He Temple ficod voon Mount Moriah, was fairely built, & artificially contriued, of white Marble stones, which were

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or perceive the junctures or crefts of them: and the inner Walls of it were made all of Cedar wood, carued with the similitude of Angels, Cherubins, roots of Palme trees, and with floures of diuers kindes, gilt all ouer with pure gold, and fet with pretious stones; infomuch that all parts of the upper roofe within the Temple, did shine with the lustre of it. The pauement thereof also was plated all ouer with fine Gold; so that all the Temple within, both aboue, vnder foot, and on every fide and corner thereof, was gilt cleane ouer: but without it was of smooth polisht white marble stone, excellently beautifull, and faire to the eye, much refembling the colour of any Pearle, Vnit or Marga-That is, a hunret. It was in length a hundred ells, in breadth a hundred ells, and in height a hundred and twenty ells, as Iosephus writeth in the old acts and warres of the Iewes, in his fifteenth booke and foureteenth chapter.

that the Tem-The roofe thereof was made of thin planks of Oliue wood, all yards long, fifcouered ouer with plates of gold: it was adorned with sharp and tic broad, and plaine spikes of gold, lest birds should defile it with their doung. When any man trauelled to Ierusalem, and saw the temple farre off when the Sunne shined thereon, the white marble stones and the golden roofe therofidid cast such a light and reflexing brightnesse from them, that it did make the beholders eyes darke and

blind with looking vpon it.

Within the Temple there was the most sacred Quire, which stood at the West end therof, the which Quire was formed foure square, that is, twenty ells broad, long, and high. This Quire was called the Holy of Holiest, wherein it was lawfull for no man to enter, but the high Priest, and he also but once in a yeare, which was on the Feast day of the Propitiatory Sacrifice, to appeale Gods wrath. In the middle part of the Quire there stood two Cherubins, made of Oliue wood, couered all ouer with fine gold, whose Faces and Formes were like vnto young Children; the height of them was ten ells; each of them had two wings, which were fine els broad; they stood one right against the other, so that with the innermost wings they touched together, and the vttermost fides of the wings touched the fides of the Quire: their faces loowards the East: in the middle under the wings of the Cherubins was placed the Arke of the Couenant; but after the Babylonian captiuity the Ark of the Couenant stood no more there; for then the Holy of holiest was empty, and nothing seene in the second Temple but the two Cherubims as is aforefaid. The wall of this Quire was of pure gold, excellent faire and curioufly grauen: In this wal of the most holy quire there was a gate made all of gold which had two leaves or little dores that opened & shut, very curiously embossed; through which dores men went into the most holy Quire, where the Lord did answer by Vrim and Thummim: there the Cherubims stood, and before that gate there did hang arich Vaile or Curtain which was made of fine filke, wouen very artificially, wherein there was wrought the picture of the Cherubims with Needle-worke of divers colours. This was the same Vaile which at the passion of Christ did rent in sunder from the top to the bottom; to shew that then Aarons Leuiticall Sacrifices were abolished, and now every man may freely approch (thorow! the mercy of his dearly beloued Sonne) vnto the presence of Gods heavenly Throne.

Before the most sacred Quire there was builded towards the East a place within the Temple containing forty Ells in length. twenty in bredth and thirty in height, closed vp on both sides with golden walls, which was called the Holy place or San auarie of the Temple, wherein no man might enter but onely the Priest, when hee offered Incense, and prayed vnto God. In the middle of that Holy place there flood an Altar, couered with plates of gold; neere vnto which the Angel Gabriel appeared vnto Zacharias, and brought him the glad tydings, That Elizabeth his wife should beare him sonne whose name should be Iohn, who should prepare the way of Christ. At the South end of this Altar, vpon the one fide flood the holy Candlestickes, and at the other end on the other fide stood a golden Table whereupon the Shew bread was fet. And in this holy place there stood ten Tables more for the meat Offerings, and ten golden Candlestickes more, which were beautified with Lamps, Lillies, and other faire floures. The opening doores whereby men went into the Holy place were also very rich and costly, made of gold, with carued Cherubims,

Cherubims, Palm trees, and broad flours thereupon. And before those dores also there were hanging vailes or curtaines, very curioully wrought. On both fides of the Temple there were certain Walks or Galleries, which were three stories high one aboue an other, and on the right fide there stood a paire of turning staires, by the which men went up to the Chamber of the Temple, and there all the small Vessels and other things belonging to the Temple were kept. The roofes of these Galleries were all plated ouer with gold, but that part was somewhat lower than the principall part of the Temple. The Windowes of the Temple were wide within and narrow without. The gates of the Temple were made of pure gold, five and twenty Ells high, and fixteene Ells broad; but especially the gate that stood Eastward in the Temple was exceeding high, which in the second Booke of Kings, cap.25. is called the High gate: and as Issephus saith, the sayd gatewas 90 Ells high, the doores whereof were forty Ells long. and twenty Ells broad, gilt all ouer, and richly embossed, beautified with Cherubims and pretious stones. The wall before this gate towards the East was pure gold, embost and curiously ingrauen in maner of Vines, with great golden leaues as big as the stature of a man, whereon there did hang the picture and forme of grapes, which were made of fine Crystall. Within that high gate also there did hang a Vaile or Curtaine as long and broad as the gate within: This Vaile was made of a piece of Babylonian Tapistry, wonderfully wrought, and made of Silke, beautified with divers colours, of Scarlet, Purple, and Velvet; and as Iosephus writeth, the Sphere of the heavens was wrought therein, but the twelue Signes were not, and when the winde blew, the Vaile did moue like a Vane.

Of the Porches or open Courts of the Temple.

Before the high gate of the Temple towards the East there were three Porches or Courts open without rooses, which were made all of polisht stone with fair marble pillars, beautified with all kind of colours, in which Porches men praised and served God.

The first was called the vpper Porch, where none but the priest might enter when he offered and served God; which porch stood next vnto the high Quire. The second was called Solomons Hall or Porch; there the people vsed to pray, and in that court our Sauior Christ preached, solom 10. The third porch King Herod built, adding that there of or the heathen people which also came vnto Ierusalem to pray.

These three porches went source square round about the Temple, as the Temple it selfe was, and between these porches there were also spaces left, supported with pillars of marble, and close about the head for men to walke under when it rained, which were all made of Cedar and Cypressewood, and of marble stone beautisted with gold. But towards the East, right ouer against the high Quire of the Temple, there the Porches were broadest

and greatest.

Here gentle Reader you must note, that as often as in the Defeription of the Temple I speake of certain Ells, you must not vnderstand such Ells as we vie here in our Countrey, but only of the Geometrical ells or elbowes, which are called Cubits, being the length of one foot and a halfe or six hands in bredth, and two such Ells or Cubits doe containe three foot, which make a yard of our measure.

The first Temple, which King Solomon built, had but two Porches, as also the second Temple which Zorobabel & loshuah or Lesu the son of Lozedeck made after the captivitie in Babylon; but that was twenty cubits lower, and inclosed about with two porches also. But King Herod Ascalonita the great King of the Lewes, son of Antipater Idumans, 16 yeares before the birth of Christ pulled down that Temple, and built a new Temple up from the ground, which was like to Solomons Temple, but that it had three porches: for Herod built the third Porch to the intent that the heathen people might pray therein, as a sanctuarie for pilgrims and strangers, as Losephus writeth, Antiq. Ind. lib. 21, ca. 14. & de Bello Iudao, lib. 6. ca. 6. Item Egesppus, lib. 1. cap. 35, 36. But some do thinke, which is more likely, that the said Heroddid but repaire and add buildings to the second Temple.

And where losephus, lib. 2. contra Appionem, writeth of four Porches,

ches, whereas principally there were but three; it is to be vnder. flood that Solomons Portchwas made with a wall in the middle thereof, wherein on the North side the Iewish women that were vnspotted or vndefiled vsed to pray; and on the other side (being South) the lewish women who also according to the Law were vnspotted, prayed; as Iosephus saith, lib. 6. cap. 6. de Bello Iudao.

A particular description of the three severall Porches or Courts belonging to the Temple.

TN the upper Porch which stood right ouer against the high L Quire in the Temple, there was an Altar of brrasse proportioned foure square, confishing of twenty cubits in length, & twenty cubits in bredth, extending to ten cubits in height, beautified with golden hornes, whereon they vsed to offer burnt sacrifices of Oxen, Sheepe, Turtle Doues, Calues, and other things. Also in times past there stood the great molten Sea made by King Solomen, and the two brasen Pillars which were made with knobbes, Pomegranats, and Lillies, very costly and most artificially done; and ten Kettles vpon Treuets; but those kettles and pillars with knobs and pomegranats, and the great molten Sea made by King Solomon, were carried away by Nabuchadnezzar King of Babylon, and broken in pieces; after which captivity they were never feen more in the Temple, for there were no more made. But the Altar of Brasse with the great hornes, whereon they offered oxen, sheep and Doues, was made againe and stood there, as I said before, by which there food divers Tables whereon they killed their Offerings. In this Court also there was a goodly Fountaine, with the Water whereof they yied to wash the bloud of the beasts out of the Temple. For there were certaine holes and gutters between the marble stones, whereby the water ranne under the earth, and through the earth was conveyed in a pipe into the Lake Kidron. In this Court Zacharias the sonne of Barrachias was killed, betweene the Temple and the Altar, Mat. 23. And Zacharias the high priest the sonne of Ioiadah was stoned to death, 2 Chron. 24. It was compassed about with a great wall made of Marble stone of divers colours, wherein there were divers doores to goe out and

out and in, decked with lofty towers and pleafant walks made of Cedar wood refembling our antient Cloisters. But principally toward the East it had a great gate of seventy Ells or cubits high and twenty five broad, all covered over with gold (as Iosephus writeth) standing alwayes open, without any doores to shut, that every man might looke into it when the Priest served God. If any man offered any thing, he brought it to the Priest before the gate, but might not go in himselfe. Ieremy, Chap. 26 and 36, calleth it the New gate. Here also was the Chappel of Gemaria the fonne of Saphan, in which Chappell Baruch read the booke of the Prophet Ieremy to the people, Ieremy 36. And when the Sunne was in Capricorne it shone right in at that gate, and through the high Quire of the Temple to the Holy of Holiest (as Islephus writeth.

of the second or middle Court called Solomons Porch.

His Court was fomething lower than the other, for from it to the vppermost they went by certaine steps, and in the tenth of John is called Solomons Porch; which (as 10 sephus writeth) was parted in the middlewith a Wall, wherein on the North side the Iewish women that were clean and vndefiled vsed to pray, and on the South the men, according to the Law *: But *Majouli enim no vnclean person, or stranger, or heathen, might enter therein; for liere a septemon the East side thereof, before the steps whereon men ascended trione dominion into the faid porch, there stood a portall curiously made of mar- innocarunt. ble stone, and between it stood pillars of marble, whereon was ingrauen in Hebrew, Greeke, Latine, and Idumæan Tongues, this fentence, Omnis alienigena accidens ad habitaculum Domini moriatur. That is, I fany stranger go into the house of God he shall surely die. And Herodalso caused to be hanged ouer the Easterne gate by which they came into this Court, a golden Sword, with this Inscription, Peregrinus si fuerit ingressus moriatur; That is, If a Stranger be so bold to enter, let him die. So as no Stranger or Heathen might goe into Solomons Porch vpon danger of his life. Here Simeon tooke the childe Iesus in his armes and sayd, Lord let now thy servant depart in peace according to thy word, for mine eges

have feen thy faluation, &c. At the same time also the Prophetesse Anna the daughter of Phaneul, of the tribe of Ashur, made a notable prophesie of the child lesus to all the people of Israel Luk.2. and after Iesus was baptised, in this place he taught, wrought miracles, and did many worthy and memorable actions. The Apoftles also commonly met together in this court, & here the holy-Ghost descended upon them. Here stood the Treasury which Heliodorus thought to have robbed, but was prevented by the Angel of God, 2 Mac. 2. This was the same Treasury wherein the poore widow cast the two mites, whom Christ commended for the same as appeares Mark 12. V pon which S. Ambrofe faith, Deny not to cast two mites into this Treasury, that is, Faith and Grace, sith by them thou shalt be made capable of a celestial kingdom; neither flatter thy felf with thy riches, because thou canst give more than the poore, for God respects not how much, but with what deuotion thou givest thy reward, Amb. li. de Viduo & Epist. li.9. Ep. 76. And here Christabsolued the Adulteresse that was accused to him, being fory for her offence; faying, I came not to condemne, but to faue sinners that repent. V pon which S. Chrysoftom faith, Although thou art a publican, yet thou maist be made an Evangelist; though a persecuter of the Church, yet an Apostle, though a theef, yet of the city of Paradife; though a Magitian, yet thou may ft worthip God: for there is no fin fo dangerous but repentance may obtain pardon. Not far from this Treasury there stood certain galleries curiously adorned with marble pillars, the root whereof was plaited with filuer and gold, and was close aboue the head, that when it rained, men might walke under them dry, and indeed did much resemble our antient Monasteries. The dores of these walks were couered ouer with gold and filuer; fo alfowas that high gate whereby men went Eastward into Solomons porch, and was 50 cubits high, and the dores forty, as Iosephus writeth.

Of the third Court or porch, wherein the heathens veed to pray, commonly called the Hall of the Gentiles or outward Court.

His court was not built by the kings of Israel, but by Herod, when the rest of the Temple was re-edified, some sixteene yeares.

yeares before the birth of Christ, and about six and forty before he began to preach, John 4. It was so spatious and sumptuously built that icamafed the beholders containing an hundred cubits in bredth, and feuen hundred and twenty cubits in length, lying Eastward towards the brooke Kidron: the pauement was of marble of divers colours, like the other Courts, the walls with the marble pillars were fine and twenty cubits high, and the Walkes about it very curiously made were thirty cubits broad. This was called Vestabulum Gentium, where the heathens as well as the Iews might enter and pray. Out of this place Christ draue the Buyers and Sellers, overthrew the tables of the Money changers, and the feats of those that fold Doues, 10.2. Mat. 21. And it stood some-

thing lower than Solomons Porch.

All these three Courts were inclosed within highwalls and walks, refembling our Cloisters, where round about the Temple, at enery corner of which stood very high Towers, whereon when the Sabbath day came, one of the Priests ouer night went and founded a Trumpet, to fignifie that the next day was the Sab. bath (for then there were no bells.) The wall of this vttermost Court (as Iosephus writeth) was in height (reckoning from the bottom to the Valley of Kidron) foure hundred cubits, and adorned with goodly Towers, upon the Pinnacles of which were built Summer houses and faire Walkes, from whence men might see into the Temple, and cleane ouer the Towne. These were called the Pinnacles of the Temple, and were so high, that when one looked down from them into the valley, their eies dazled in such maner that they could not see, as losep. writeth, li. Antiq. 15.ca. 14. Vpon one of these Pinnacles the Diuel caried our Sauior Christ faying, If thou be the Sonne of God cast thy selfe downe, &c. Mat. 4. And lames the sonne of Alphaus, by the commandement of Annas the high Priest, was from thence thrown into the vally of Cedron, and falling voon a Fullers instrument died, 10s. Ant. 20, ca. 8. &c. The gate towards the East was thirty cubits high, and had dores opening two wayes, 15 cubits broad (as Iof.writeth) made of pure braffe that shone like gold & siluer, artificially made, and cunningly imbossed, insomuch as it was called the beautiful gate of the temple: as Pet. & Io. was going into the temple by this gate they healed a man that had beene borne lame from his mothers

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When a man went Eastward the Gates were one higher than another. The first gate or the gate of the Heathens Court was thirty Cubits high. The second that entred into Solomons Porch was 50 cubits: the third which went into the highest & last court was 70 cubits and the great high gate of the temple was ninety Cubits high, fo that every gate of the Temple was twenty Cubits one higher than another: And in these gates there were benches made for men to fit on. There were many other Gates and doores on both fides, some fixty, some twenty Cubits broad, all almost made of pure gold, and of such weightinesse, that (as Issephus writeth in his second booke to Appius) two hundred men could scarce open and shut them. Egisspus writeth, That Vespasian comming before the Temple to assault it, commanded his Souldiors to burne one of the golden Gates (which then was thut) that so he might ouercome the same, and with strong hand carry away a most glorious Victorie. For it was wonderfully fortified both by Nature and Art; it had deepe Ditches, loftie Towers like vnto Castles of defence; and moreouer, compassed about with Bulwarkes and strong walls, in somuch that it was not possible to be won but with extreme difficultie and great labour. When the Gate was fired the gold that ran from it was in great aboundance: and by this meanes the Conquest was made easie.

This shall suffice to have spoken of the Buildings of the Tem-

ple,

The Allegoricall or Spiritual meaning of the Temple.

"He terrestriall Temple built by Solomon was partly a Figure of our Sauiour Christ, and parely of his Church. For when the Sonne of God suffered the Temple of his holy body to be destroyed, and was risen again from the dead, John 2. Then hee raised up to vs the Christian Church, which is the true spirituall house and Temple wherein God dwelleth, I Cor. 6.

The mysterie of the white Marble.

Hrist is the right white Marble stone which is without spot. And there is no deceit found in his mouth, Efay 52, Ioh, 8, this stone the Builders refused, but God chose it out as most pretious, and made it the head of the corner, that wee like living stones might bee built upon it, Efay 21.8. I Pet. 2.

The mysterie of the Gold.

He Gold and pretious stones in the Temple signified the Deity of Christ; for in him dwelt the fulnesse of the Deity exquantage, wholly and absolutely; and in him was contained the Fountaine and treasure of all wisedome and knowledge, Col. 2.

The mysterie of the Cedar wood.

S the Cedar, Cypres, and Olive wood was neither subject to putrifaction, nor possible to be deuoured with wormes; so the humane nature of Christ was subject to no corruption, no putrifaction, Pfal. 16.

The mysterie of the Cherubims.

He Temple also is a figure of the heavenly glory, & of everlasting life to come, where the Angels and Cherubims becing ingrauen and pictured to the image of man, do represent the congregation of the bleffed Angels and Saints, who in prefence of the Lord fing a continual Te Deum laudamus, Apoc. 4. The two Cherubims placed vpon the Mercy feat in the holy Quire, fignifie the old and new Testament, which containes the Doctrine of Christ: and as their wings touched one another, so the old & new Testament were ioined together, the end of the one, the beginning of the other: the one continued to the end of the first world, the other shall continue to the end of the second; both had relation to Christ, to whom the ministerie of God was committed.

The mysterie of the golden Dore of the Temple.

Christ is the dore of life by which we must enter into eternall happines, Ioh. 10.14. the two dores signific a two sold knowledge before we can enter into this gate; that is, of his Person and Office.

What the Vaile of the Temple signified.

The Son of God our Lord Iesus Christ hanging upon the alter of the Crosse, is the true Vaile that is put betweene God and vs, shadowing with his wounds and pretious bloud the multitude of our offences, that so we may be made acceptable to his Father, Heb. 10.

The mysterie of the Arke of the Conenant.

The Arke of God made of Sittim wood, wherin was kept the pot of Manna, Aarons Rod, and the Tables of the Commandements, Exod. 25. Heb. 9. represent as well our Sauior Christ, as the hearts of the Faithfull: for as in Christs breast was contained the doctrine both of the Law and Gospell, so likewise is it in the Faithfull, though not in that measure. Hee was the true Manna that descended from heauen to give light vnto the world, John 6. The Tables of the Law move vs to mutuall love and new obedience. Aarons Rod shourishing with blossomes signifies the sweetnesse of the Gospel, and the glory of our high Priest Iesus Christ of whom Aaron was a Type.

The mysteric of the golden Altar.

He sacrificing altar in the Sanctuarie of the Temple, wheronwere foure golden hornes, beeing made partly of Sittim wood, and partly of Gold, compassed about with a Crowne of gold, represent the vnitie of the Humanitie and Deity in our Saniour. For as the wood, naturally incorruptible, was beautissed with refulgent gold; so the Humanity of Christ, not capable of any putrisaction, Psame 16. being adorned with Celestial glorie of the Deity, personally united to the Diuine Nature, ascended up into the Heauens, and there sitteth at the right hand of his Fa-

ther.

ther, crowned with a crown of majesty in eternal happines, Pfa. 8.

The mysterie of the golden Candlesticks.

He golden Candlestick with six branches and seven lights. fignifies Christ and the Ministers of the church. Christ the foundation is the chiefe Priest and Light of the world, illuminating vs to eternal life, 10h.1. The Doctors and Teachers of the church are the branches by whom Christ inlightneth his church with the found and vncorruptible doctrine of the Gospel, Apoc. 1. Neither ought they to be separated from Christ, but by the light of their do arine and fincere conversation be a lanthorn vnto our feet, Pfal, 119, that so their works may return to his glory and the good of his church. And as all the branches were vnited into the body of the Candlestick, so every Minister and faithfull child of God ought to be vnited into the body of Christ, without any schismaticall diffention or separation. The floures and lillies denote the ornaments and graces of the holy Spirit, which Christ hath bountifully bestowed upon his Ministers. The Lights and lamps do admonish all godly Ministers to a diligent care, lest the light of Gods divine word should either by mens traditions. or carnal and philosophical opinions, be either diminished, or by little and little abolished: but as often as such things happen, with the fincere doctrine of the Gospel to be purged and preferued.

The mysterie of the golden Table.

The golden Table wheron the Shew bread flood, being compafied about with a pretious crown, fignifies the ministeric of the Gospell. For the bread that is set before vs is Christ that Bread of Life which descended out of heaven, some 6. and hee by the ministry of the twelve Apostles is mystically offered vnto vs in the Sacrament of the Lords Supper, that who so eareth thereof as they ought might have eternal life. The Frankince sie that stood by the bread admonisheth vs, that earnest prayers and godly actions are to be vsed in the time of the administring of the Lords supper. For as Macarius saith, If the divel was as strong

as mountaines, yet at the prayers of the Saints he melteth as wax before the fire. And S. Cyril faith, That Christ is the Table voon which the bread of life is fet, whereby all the Faithfull are nouri. shed vnto eternall life. And the Crowne about this Table is the goodnesse and mercy of God, wherby we are crowned & brought to eternal happinesse. S. Ierom saith, That this Table was a figure of the table and the supper in the kingdome of God, Luk. 2. The Shew-bread vpon the table is the Son of God, which giveth life vnto the world, Iohn 6.

The my sterie of the golden Vine and the Crystall grapes.

The Vine in the East part of the temple made of shining gold, fitly refembles our Saujour Christ, who compared himselfe vnto a Vine, and the Faithfull vnto the branches, faying, I am the true Vine, and who so ever is ingraffed into me shall have eternall life, Io. 15. The Crystall grapes do denote the doctrine of the Gospell, and the works of the Faithfull, which are faith, loue, hope, charity, patience, prayer, and workes of grace, all which do inhere vnto such as beleeue.

The mysterie of Oblations and Sacrifices.

L1 the Oblations and Sacrifices of the old Testament were Types and figures of our Sauiour, That as they were flaine for the performance of the ceremonial law; fo Christ for the salmation of man was flain and made a free-will Offering; by whose bloud and mediation the fin of man is pardoned, and he made capable of eternall life, Elay 52. Iohn 10. Heb. 9. crc.

The mysteric of the upper Court.

He vpper Court was a figure of the spiritual! Priesthood of I lefus Christ, who hath made vs all Priests and Kings, and hath beautified vs with his guiltlesse death, 1 Pet. 2

The mysterie of the Fountaine and molten Sea standing upon twelve Oxen in the oppermost Court.

He molten Sea and Fountain was a figure of Baptisme and that living water issuing from the wounds of Christ, whereby we are washed from all our sinnes; the Lavor of regeneration, whereby we are made capable of eternall life; that Well of water, whereof if we drinke we shall neuer thirst. The twelue Oxen represent the twelve Apostles, whose voice have gon through the world (according to that in the Corint bians) and have carried the fea of Grace through all the parts of the earth. Of which Water (saith S. Augustine) if thou drinkest but one drop, it is more effe-Etuall to quench the thirst of worldly and insatiable desires, than an Ocean of earthly waters.

The mysterie of the middle Court.

Colomons Court, wherein Christ taught, and in which the Iewes vsed commonly to pray, was a figure of that Church which should be gathered from amongst the Iewes. For from thence he indeauoured first to assemble and gather together a Christian congregation, according to that which he spake to the Canaanitish woman, Mat. 15. I am fent only to the lost Sheep of the house of Ifrael.

Of the outward Court of the Gentiles. His Court fignified, That the Gentiles also should partake 1 of the sheepfold and congregation of Christ, and be members of his holy Church; according to that of Iohn 10. I have yet other Sheepe which I must also bring hither, that so there might be one heepfold, one Paftor, &c.

> Of the rest of the memorable Buildings standing upon mount Moriah.

Having thus described the temple, together with the seueral courts & ornaments, alwhich did typically represent Christ & his church, I wil now proceed to the rest of the buildings standing upon mount Moriah. The first and most memorable was the

the house of Solomon, which stood inst against the Templevpon the South: it shined so with gold and silver, & was so stately and sumptuously built, that when queene Saba came to Ierusalem she stood amased to see it. There belonged to it divers Courts and Walkes, in one of which the Prophet Ieremy was prisoner, Ier. 37. Overagainst this he made the Iudgement hall, in which hee placed the Ivory Chaire spoken of 1 Kin. 10. He built by that another house for his Queen, the that was daughter of Pharabh, t Kin. 7. But when Nebuchadnezzar conquered Ierusalem, all these together with the Templewere burnt and veterly defaced.

Of the Poole of Bethesda.

7 Pon the North lay that sheepfold or sequestred place called Bethesda, Ioh. 5. which hath five porches or Kenodochius, as some would have it: here Cattell came to drinke, and the Priests vsed to wash their Sacrifices; because no vncleane beast might come within the Temple, nor any thing that was foule or spotted be offered vpon the Altar. The water was of reddish colour, and ran into that place in great aboundance, and therefore it was called the house of effusion or pouring out. This was the place into which the Angel of God fometimes descended and troubled the water, after which who soeuer stepped in was presently cured: and heere our Saujour Christ healed the man that had beene diseased 38 years, Ioh. 5. This placewas made by King Hezekiah, who caufed the water of the vppermost poole, which was called Gihon, not far from mount Calvary, to be conneied by pipes & paffages through the earth, into the lower city called Acra, and fo fel into this place, for which cause it was called the lower poole. The Allegorie or mysterie hereof is, That every one of Christs Sheepe ought to be washed in the poole of his bloud, before they can be made fit sacrifices to enter into his Temple or church, 1 10.1.

Of the tower or castle called Antonia.

T His castle, as Iosep. hath it, lib. 6. de Bell. cap. 6. stood betweene two Courts of the Temple at the North-West corner; at first built by the Machabees, and called by the name of Baris:

but after, King Herod taking affection to that place, bestowed great cost vpon it, walled it about, built vp sumptuous towers, & made it very strong; then gaue it the name of Antonia, in sauor of Antonia that noble Roman; which Augustus a long time sustained after their decease.

Of the Hall called Canaculum Anguli.

This house stood vpon an angle or cantle of the hill, and was therefore called Canaculum Anguli: it was very large & spatious, and within had a great hall, whereof Nehem. cap. 3. maketh mention: and here, as some thinke, our Sauior Christ ate the Paschal Lambe with his Disciples; but I rather thinke it was in the suburbs.

of the Tower Ophel or the darke Tower.

NEere to the valley of Cedron toward the East, not farre from the Temple, and neere the castle Antonia, there was builded a losty and strong tower or palace called *ophel*, that is, a place of darknesse: it was a very sumptuous thing.

Of Hamea, or the Tower of the Centurions.

In the town wall betweene the sheepe gate and the dung gate, shood this castle Hamea or Centurion, taking the name a Centerario numero, i, the number of an hundred, and was upon the East side of the city, neere to the sheepfold or poole Bethesda, Neh. 3.

12. Here the Centurions commonly kept watch.

of Mount Acra and the buildings upon it.

Mount Acra (as is aforesaid) stood vpon the West side of Ierusalem; it was a very high mountain, and tooke that name from the Greeke word Acra, a sharpe or high hill. It was much higher than mount Moriah in times past, till Simon, Iudas Machabeus brother, caused it to be cut lower, to make it equall in height with mount Moriah. Between these two hils lay the vally Cedron, which was in profunditie 400 cubits. V pon this Mountain another part of the city was builded, beeing strongly fortised and richly adorned with sumptuous houses, of which David

and Solomon were the principal founders; and was called the lower city, or the daughter of Sion. It was so beautiful, that some hold (of which number are Egesippus and Eusebius) that it exceeded the rest of the city. Here stood the house of Helena Queen of the Adiabenors, neer about the midst of it, as Iosep. obserueth, Li. Bell. 7. cap. 13. which Queene beeing converted to the Iewish Religion. built her an house in this City, that shee might pray in the Temple. Here stood the houses of her sonnes Monobazius and Grapta: here stood the houses of the high priests Annas and Caiaphas, not far from the valley Tyropæ: King Herod also that wicked man, who caused the innocent Children to be put to death, built him an house heere, neere about the place where the Machabees in times past had a Castle; (for they built two, one in mount Moriah, another in this Mount.) That in mount Moriah was after called the Castle of Antonia, and stood right against the Temple, as is aforefaid. And this being very sumptuously built, and a Royall seat, was after the death of this Herod a Palace for his Successors Archilaus and Herod Agrippa. Not farre off he caufed two faire Theatres to be also built; the one in honour of the Emperour Augustus; and this on the one side joined to a tower called Acropolis (which was built by Antigonus Epiphanes, on 2 purpose to place a Garrison in, to keepe the Iewes in bondage: which Iudas Machabeus afterwards made leuel with the ground) and on the other fide towards his owne Pallace. It resembled a femi-Circle, made all of white Marble fairely polished, the building fomewhat low; within full of high bankes one rifing about another like Scaffolds, so that the whole multitude might easily heare or see what soeuer was faid or done. It was curiously beautified with gold, filuer, and many goodly pictures; but among st the rest, the battailes which the Emperour Augustus had woon against his people were lively pourtrayed. To this place as well Iews as Gentiles reforted to see Interludes and Playes acted. The other was an Amphitheatre, and stood vpon the South side of the house: it was built round in a whole circle, compassed about with high walls large and spatious. Here they vsed to sence and to fight both on horse-backe and in Waggons. And in the fifth yere, in honor of Augustus, the circensian games, according to the

Rites of the Gentiles, were very fumptuously performed. On the South fide of this Amphithearer, flood queen Bernice house, Sifler to Agrappa junior : it was a very faire and fumptuous Building little inferiour to King Herods. This stood in the market place. and fo all along were very fumptuous and stately Pillars. Heere Agrippa himselfe had also an house, and ouer against that vpon the North stood the Judgement hall, where the Sanhedrim or the Councell of the feuenty Elders vsed to meet, to heare and determine of mens causes. To this place Christ was brought when they asked him if he was Christ, Luke 22. Here were the Apostles whipt, Acts 5. and close by this stood the house of Pilat the Pretor, fairely gliffering with gold, in which house all the Romane Pretors and Presidents for the most part had their residence: and here our Sauiour Christ was whipt, crowned with Thornes, and spit vpon. Not far off from this Pretors house stood the Chancerie, or rather as we terme it the Treasury, a stately and magnisicent house, curiously built, and appointed onely to lay Records and common Chronologies in. Heere also the Officers of the towne gaue in their accounts, and Creditors entred their debts. This was veterly destroyed by Vespasian. Thus much for the Buil. dings on this Mount.

Next, the market place was a thing very memorable, and was folarge and spatious, that in the time of the Warres many great battels were fought there, as to sephus faith. In this market place, close by Pilats house stood a high seat or Tribunal made of faire stone curiously wrought, and for the eminence of it called in the Chald an tongue Gabatha; and because it was built of stone the Grecians called it A1845,0000: the Latines, Lapidanium; and with vs it might be termed an heape of stones* (for so the word signisi- or a well eth.) Here Pilat taking water washed his hands before the people, wroughtstone and said, I am innocent of this mans blond : At which they cried, His bloud be upon us and our children. And after by Gods appointment, according to their own wish fel vpon them; for in the same place and close by the same Seat it hapned that Herodwanting money, demanded of the Iewes so much out of their Treasurie (which they called Cerban) as would pay for the making of a Water-Twid to bring water into the City from a Fountaine.

taine, some two hundred furlongs off in but the lewes supposing it a needleffe worke, not onely denied him, but gave make outer. gious and spitefull speeches? tumultaently flocked about hind and with great clamors preference him cuen as be was in his feat wherfore perceiving the danger, and to prevent mischief the fent to his fouldiers to apparell themselves like Cilliens, and under their gownes to bring with them a dangerndr pionyard, and mins gle themselves among the multitude, which they did observing who they were that made the greatest vprore; and when Herod gaue the figne, fel vpon them with their ponyards, killing a great multitude. The reft feeing this massacre, suspecting treason a mongst themselves, fell one vpon another; and many for feare of losse, or to avoid future danger, killed themselves. In this very placealfo, Florus Generall of the common fouldiers, within few yeares after, vpon a small occasion, made another cruell massacre and much more barbarous than the former: for hee spared none the best of them he caused to be whipt to death, or else crucified and put to the sword; and for the Vulgar spared neither woman nor childe. So that within the compasse of one day there died of this obstinate and wicked Nation above seuco hundred and thirty. This outrage was fo cruell, that all frangets which ishab bited within the town pitied their mifery but especially Queen Bernice, who being partly frighted with their threeks partly mo ued to commiseration through the extremitie of their affliction. indangered her life to prefent her felfe before Florus, and voon her knees befought him to take fome mercy and pitty of them? and withdraw his hand of vengeance from the bloud of the guilt lesse. But the sury of the Roman souldiers was so sierce, and the resolution of Florus so vnremoueable, that neither her teares nor the present calamities could persuade him. But as in such Vprores it commonly happeneth, the with the rest was in danger of her safety, and was constrained the next night, for the preservation of her estate to keep a strong watch, lest the Roman souldiers should have done her some violence. Thus we may see a just reuenge of a periured and stif necked people, and that in the place where the offence was committed, though at least eight and thirty yeares after.

In this market place Agrippa had built a Gallery all of marble. from his own boufe to the ludgment hall; it was covered above. and made with divers and fundry roomes for men to walke in, all burnished with gold, and called by the name of Xiston, as Iosephus hath it. Here Agrippa after this cruell massacre made an Osarion to the people (Queene Bernice standing by him) to this effect. That they should fortear to raise any more commotions against the Romans, and to banish the Seditious out of the city, for that they faw their equality : Iosep. hb. de Bell. 2. Egesip. lib. 2. cap. 8. To this Gallery there joyned a bridge which past ouer the valley of Cedion to the Temple. And amongst many other faire and fumptudus, Buildings that were your this place, there were the Colledges of the Pharifees, Sadduces, and the Synagogues and Schooles for the instruction of Youth, which were dispersed here and there among other stately buildings; and this was called the lower Towne.

Of the Valley of Cedron.

R Etweene the lower City and the Temple there was a deepe DValley, extending it felfe from the gate of Benjamin through the middle of the City, to the gate of Sion. From this Valley they ascended into either mountaines, (that is, Mount Acra, and Mount Moriah) by certaine steppes or staires. These two hills (as is before faid) were joyned together with a bridge; and this Valley passing betweenethem, was called by Zephaniah, cap. 1. Machten. In which place aboue all the rest of the Cities dwelt Merchants, and fuch as vfed commerce and trade, as appeareth in the eleventh verse of his prophecie; Howle yee Inhabitants of the low place for the company of the Merchants is destroyed: all they that exchange for siluer are cut off. Vpon which place of Scripture the Chald an Paraphrase reades it thus Howle yee inhabitants of the valley Cedron. Iosephus, in tit. Bell. 6. cap. 6. & libr. 6. cap. 7 calleth this valley by two names; one Machten, from the profunditie; the other Cedron, from the obscurity: for so the name signifieth; and wholoeuer looked downe into it from the Temple, fogs and

mists seemed to lie in the bottome of it, like a cloud of darknesse. fuch was the depth of it. There was another valley which lay be tweene mount Sion and these mountaines, called by the name of Tyrexdon.

of the Mountaine Bezetha.

His place lay Northward in Ierusalem, and betweene it and the former hils were deep dirches cast; it had two Townes standing upon it, divided with two walls, and was common. ly called the Suburbs; the name of the one, which lay neerest to mount Moriah, was called the fecond city; the other that lay vo on the North, was called Neapolis or the new towne. In the fe cond dwelt Huldathe Prophetesse, and Zacharias the father of S. Iohn Baptift, 2 Kin. 22.2. 2 Chr. 34. Nehem. 3. Iofeph. li. 10. c. 5. It was adorned with many faire and fumptuous buldings, among which was that princely house of Herod Ascalonites that great and mighty King of the Iewes, in whose time our Sauior Christ was born. This house was sumptuously built, supported and adorned with pillars of polisht marble, and so spatious, that in one room thereof there might stand a hundred tables. The hall also was very great, and richly gilded with refined gold intermixt with filuer: about it were many pleasant and delectable walls, goodly gardens and fountains for pleasure: it was compast with awal of polisht marble 30 cubits high. And (as Valerius writeth) in that house Herod caused Christ to be mocked, put a long white gar ment upon him in contempt, and fo fent him to Pilat. Here allo was a prison, in which Peter was kept when the Angel of the Lord deliuered him, AEts 12.

Of the towne Neapolis, or the New City.

"His lay without the wals of the city, and became inhabited by reason of the great concourse of people that slocked this ther (for in times past there were no inhabitants) and stood ther laborers & strangers: and by all likelihood it feems that the house of Mary the mother of Iohn syrnamed Marke stood here, called Psephina. which because of the continual refort of the Apostles thither

hewas deliuered from the hands of Hered, by the Angell: for thus faith the Text, Atts 12.9. That when Peter had paft the first and second watch he came to the Iron gate which led into the Citie, and loe it opened of it selfe. And from thence he went to the house of Mary the mother of Iohn, furnamed Marke. Herealso (in my opinion) Christ celebrated the last Paschall Lambe, because after supper hee went into the mount of Oliues, for this lying vnwalled, lay open for them to goe and come at their pleasure. But afterward in Herad Agrippa's time, it was begunne to be compassed in with a wall, and before it could be fully finished, the Angell of the Lord firucke him, and he died miserably. Here also stood the Monuments of Iohn Hircanus the high Priest, and of Alexander, King of the lewes, as it appeareth in Tosephus, libr. de Bello, 6, cap. 6. The tops of the houses in the Citie of Ierusalem were flat, and couered with faire and plaine roofes, compassed about with battlements; vpon which they vsed to leape, dance and banquet, and fuch recreations as they observed upon their festivall daies were there celebrated. And thus much shall serue to have spoken of the mountaines or hills whereon Ierusalem Rood.

Of the Walls that compassed the Citie.

This Citie of Ierusalem was so strongly fortified by nature on every fide, except the North, (for it stood vpon high rockes and cliffes) that it seemed to be inuincible. And that that fide might be the better ftrengthened, they compassed it in with three walls, and these so strong, that when Vespasian the Emperor and his armic inuaded the citie they had much adoe to conquer them. The first of these walls was that which Agrippa built, and it compassed in Neapolis, otherwise called the new towne. At the Northwest end of which Wall, was built an exceeding high Tower of very faire Marble stone; so high, that standing vpon the North side of the hil. Here dwelt the Christians and on the top thereof, a man might see from thence to the Sea, and anto Arabia, and the vttermost bounds of Iudæa. This Tower was

The second wall was that which divided the two Suburbes was called the house of the Church. Hither Peter resorted when wherein there stood 14 towers and gates. This King Hezekiab

built,2.Chr, 32, in a corner of which, betweene the West gate and the Valley gate, there stood a high Tower, wherein all the night great fire was made, which cast a light a great way off round about; fo that trauellers passing towards Ierusalem, where guided by it in their way. Of this light we reade in Nehem cap. 2.

The third wall compassed in the Temple and all the lower citie; in it was fixtie Towers, but the chiefe of them stood in the East Angle, betweene the dung gate and the gate of the valley, which was called Hananiel, and fignifieth, The grace and gift of God. This is much spoken of in the Scripture : vpon this wall King Herod the Ascalonite built three faire Towers; one betweene the Garden gate and the old gate, which hee called Hippicum, in honour of his father Hippicus; the other Phaselum, in honour of his brother Phasilus; and the third Marianne, after his wittes name, who notwithstanding hee caused innocently to be put to death. These three gates were built of polisht Marble. Pliny and Strabo faith, That this was the fairest and most spacious city of the East. and for the munition and fortification almost inuincible. The wals of it were all of white polisht marble, some 25 or 30 cubits high: the stones were 20 cubits long, 20 broad, and 5 thicke, so closely joyned that the junctures could scarce be perceived. Many of the Towers also were made of such stones; but those of the Temple exceeded the rest; for they were a 5 cubits long, 12 broad, and 8 thicke, as losephus witneffeth, lib. Int. 15. ca. 14. & de Bel. Iud.li.6.ca.6.which things being rightly considered, we may eafily perceive that these walls were very difficult to be destroyed: Neither were the ditches of lesse strength that went about the Towne; for they were cut out of hard stones, at least forty cubits deepe, and two hundred and fifty cubits broad, which were vnpossible to have beene woon, if God had not holpen and affisted the Romans, filling up those dirches with the bodies of those that died of the plague and famine within the towne.

Of the gates of Ierusalem.

Thad twelue gates to goe out and in: Vpon the East side lay five, the first of which was the Fountaine gate, which was so called of the Fountaine Sileah. And this stood close by the gate

of mount Sion. In which Fountain, the man that was borne blind washt himselfe at the commandement of our Saujour, and had his fight restored, 10h. 9. and at this gate Christ came riding in vp. on an Affe, when he came from Bethania, on Palme Sunday.

2 The Sheepe-gate, which was so called of the multitude of sheepe that were driven in by it, to be offered in the Temple (for it stood hard by the temple.) Right before this gate stood mount Oliuet. some halfe an English mile and a furlong from Ierusalem. Eastward. By it stood the Garden called Gethsemane, where Christ was taken, and led into the citie through this gate; to be offered vp like an innocent sheepe, for the sinnes of the whole World.

The Dung-gate: this tooke the name from a dung-hill. because the raine water comming with great power through the Citie washed nway the filth, and with great violence, carried it through this gate into the poole Cedron. Not far from this gate was the water gate, and stood a little within it.

The Valley-gate, which tooke the name of the valley Icho. faphat, and lay not farre from the other gate. Hereabouts also stood the Dragon gate.

The Horse-gate, and stood just in the joyning of the East and North part of the Citie: it tooke the name from the Kings horses, as appeareth, Ier. 31. Neh. 3.

The gates upon the North.

6 The corner gate which flood Northwest, 2.K. 14.1.Ch. 26. ler. 31. Zach. 14.

7 The Benjamin-gate, fo called because men by this gate went to the borders of Benjamin: in this gate the Prophet Ieremy was prisoner ler. 27.

8 The Ephraim gate, by which they went to the borders of Ephraim.

The gates upon the West.

9 The Raine-gate, so called because the raine water clensing the fireets, carried away all the filth, and so past through this gate toward the West, and there thrust it out of the Citie, Neb. 12.

The Garden-gate, before which the garden stood wherein Christ was buried.

11 The

11 The old gate : before this, Mount Caluarie stood, whereon Christwas crucified.

12 The fish gate, so called because of the Sea fish that came in by it: it was also called the Bricke gate. Here the Prophet Ieremy broke an earthen pitcher, Ieremy 19, and out of this gate they went to Bethlehem. But on the South fide therewere no gates, for there mount Sion stood, which was so high and steepe that no man could goe vp vpon it.

of the gates within the Citie.

THe gate of Sion, the water gate; of which two I have already spoken. The middle gate, whereof Ieremie speaketh, cap. 19. and it is thought it stood in the middle of the citie, in the valley Cedron, not farre from the Tower called Marianne. The Iron gate, which opened of it selfe, when the Angell led Peter out of prison, Atts 12. this stood in the City walls, passing from one suburbe into another:all these gates stood within the city. And thus much shall suffice to have spoken of the portraiture of it.

Of the Springs, Valleys, Fountaines, and other memorable places as they were scituated neere to the Citie and how to the foure parts of the World.

IN the next place it resteth to shew what things worthy memorie were about, and stood neere to the City: the first of which was the brooke Cedron, which forung out of a hill not farre from it vpon the South, and with great swiftnesse ran through the East part of the citie, and so between Icrusalem & the mount of Olives, to the valley gate of Ichofaphat: thence passing through the cliffes of mount Olivet, it ran directly East till it came to the dead Sea, which brooke in the Summer time was most commonly dry. The water of it was something blacke, which colour the valley Iehosaphat (which was very fertile) gaue it, & from thence it was called Nigrescens torrens, a blackish streame. This is my fically spoken of, in 2. Sam. and Pla. 100. where it is said, He (that is, our Saujour Christ) shall drink of the brook in the way: which he fulfilled when he made satisfaction for our sinnes by his death & passion,

as it appeareth in the 69 Pfal. Saue me o God, &c. Into this brooke ran the water of Silo, and that which came out of the temple.

> Of the mount of Olives and Bethania, which signifies a house of mourning.

Hele two, the one lay vpon the East, the other Southwest, about halfe an English mile and a furlong from Ierusalem. Of Bethania you may reade in Nehemia.

Of the hill Gihon.

Ilhon stood before Ierusalem on the West side, right against the fish gate and the old gate, 2. Chr. 22. Here King Solomon was crowned, 1. Kin. 1. Not farre from this stood the mount Golgatha, where Christ was crucified. From whence may be obserued, That as Solomon vpon that hill was crowned King, so Christ vpon this was crucified; our Sauiour and the true Solomon, that made euerlasting peace betweene God and vs.

From this mount Gihon sprung the Fountaine Gihon, and thereabouts also was the Fullers field, 2. King. 18.2. Chron. 33. In which place Senacharib and other the Princes and Embassadors of the King of Affyria, spake blasphemous words against the Lord, wherefore he flew 185 thousand of them, as appeareth in the 2. King. 19.

Of the valley of the some of Hinnon. His valley lieth behind the city of Ierusalem Southward on the left hand as they went from Ierusalem to Bethelem. In this valley the Iewes fet up an Idoll of copper like a King, which they called Moloch, that is, a King of Idols. This Copper Idoll stood with the arms stretching out, and under it there was a great fire, whereby the Image shewed fire-redde: and besides that, the more to honour it, they made a great fire betweene two walls, which burnt for his fake: and through this fire the Idolatrous Priests cast living children into Molochs burning armes, which he with his armes red hot burnt to death. And in this manner the Iewes offered their owne children to the Idoll Moloch: and when they did it, they made a great noise & crie, and beat upon a drum, that the fathers when their children were offered, should not

here them crie, by reason of the great noise of Drums. This valley was called the valley of Tophet; for Tophet signifies a Drum. This was a most grosse and searefull Idolatry, & therefore Christ likened this valley of Hinnon to hell fire; for he called it Gehenna, Mat. 5. That the Iewes should keepe themselues from this monstrous Idolatrie, God made a law, That if any man were taken committing this kind of Idolatry, he should forthwith be stoned to death, and not suffered to live, Leuit. 18. 6.20. The valley of Gehennon is often times named in the holy Scriptures, 10sb. 15. Nehem. 11.2. Paral. 28.33. Ier. 7. Ierom writeth, that here by this Idol Moloch in the valley of Hinnon, there was a Wood; for the water ran out of the Fountaine Siloah along by it, and made the valley moist.

Of the field of blond, called Hakeldama.

This field of bloud, which was bought for thirty filuer pence, for the which Indus betraied our Sauiour Christ, lay not farre from the valley of Hinnon, Southward by the city of Ierusalem, as Ierom writeth.

Of the hill Hameskita, or offence and shander.

This hill lay Southeast, not farre from Ierusalem, something wide of mount Oliuet; so that there was but one Valley betweene them, and was not altogether so high as it. Also vpon this hill King Solomon in his old age suffered his wives or concubines to make Idolatrous Temples, wherein he and his wives worshipped Idols.

Of the destruction of this famous Citie of Ierusalem by TITVS VESPASIAN.

Hus haue I briefly fet forth the dignitie, scituation, & curiosity of the buildings of Ierusalem, together with the richnesse of the Temple, and sumptuous sees of the houses: now it rests to describe vnto you, the manner and meanes how this famous Citie was destroyed, surely a thing worthy wonder (according to that in teremy) Whose ears shall beare of it his eares shall single. And that it might be the more samous, and the Christians

within it might take notice of the neer approaching defolation, there were divers strange accidents hapned, and visions seene. As first, about some foure yeares before, the river Iordan was turned out of her course, and was brought into the Citie Pella: a while after that, for a yeare together, there hung a Comet like a flaming fword ouer the City: And in the night there was feene a light in the Temple: And in the day when they were at facrifice, a Calfe brought forth a Lambe. Then about the middle of the night, the Easterne gates of the Temple opened of their owne accord. In the skies were seene armies of men fighting, and Horses and Chariots running too and againe. And at last there was heard a terrible voice in the temple, vttering these words, Migremus hinc; that is, Let us goe hence. And that there might be a generall Proclamation of this sad and cruell desolation, through the whole citie, one Ananias the sonne of lesus, a man poore and impotent, vpon the Feast of the Tabernacles, ran through all the streets of the Citie, and crying, o, a voice from the East, and a voice from the West, a voice from the foure windes, a voice ouer Ierusalem and the Temple, a voice ouer the Bridegroome and the Bride, and a voice ouer the whole multitude of this Citie. And although he was whipt, and imprisoned, and cruelly handled, yet so long as he lived, hee would not cease to vtter these words, which by some were judg'd to foretel the horrible desolation which after hapned.

For Titus Cafar sonne of Flavius the Emperor, about seuentie yeares after the Nativitie of our Lord, and about eight and thirty after his ascension, veterly overthrew it even to the ground, about the first day of the moneth of Aprill, and within a yeare after these signes. For hetaking advantage of the three sactions which at this time swaied in Ierusalem: One of Eleazer the Priest the sonne of Simon; the other of Zilotus the chiese Prince which held the Temple; and the third of Iohannes Giscalenus a cruell fellow, which had the command of the inseriour Citie; besieged it, and made this a fit opportunitie to further his enterprises, whiles the seditious and sactious people, little regarding their owne safetie, gave way by their equill and intestine warrs, to what he intended, weakning themselves much more by their continued slaughters, than the enemy by his invasion. Insomuch as the whole citie, and

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Temple was filled with dead bodies; common insolencies, and publique rapines were ordinarily amongst them: some set fire of the City, others dispoiling the Temple, a third fort killing the Priests even as they were at facrifice, al places sul of dead bodies; and to this, to adde a greater measure of miserie (without any regard at all to their future defence) fet fire of the store house, wherein the corne lay for the sustentation of the Citie, and confumed that in one day which had been long a gathering: by this meanes it came to passe, that they were forely afflicted with the pestilence through the corruption of the aire, and with famine, for want of Corne. All these things notwithstanding (such was the crueltie, obstinacie, and peruersenesse of this people) could not restraine them from violating the most sacred and holy things of the Temple: infomuch as Iohannes Giscalenus had a full determination to have destroyed it, but that he was preuented by the Romans.

About this time was the feast of the Passeouer, and it fell vpon the fourteenth day of Aprill, being the Sabboth; to the celebration whereof, there reforted to Ierusalem, about three hundred thousand Iewes. These the enemy gane way to enter into the Citie; but considering their present necessitie for want of victuals, vpon a suddain drew vp their forces, and so straightly beleagered them that all this huge multitude was (as it were) imprisoned within the wals, where partaking of the former misery, they either died by the plague or famin. Whence may be perceived the maruellous prouidence of God, that even on the same day, and in the very same place, where but eight and thirtie yeares before our Sauiour Christ suffered, the authors of such crueltie suffered a most just and seuere reuenge, Now as the army of the Romans lay vpon the North of the Citie, Titus drew out a band of fix hundred horse to ride about, to behold and view the walls of the Towne: but as he was in this manner wondring at the fumptuousnesse of the Citie, the Iewes in great multitudes slipt out at a posterne gate, and set upon him so siercely, that they endangered his person, being without armour; and had he not with great difficultie broke through them, and recouered the Tower of the Romans, hee had beene there slaine. But presently upon this see-

ing the danger, hee besieged the Citie in three parts; himselse as the Emperour of the armie, built a castle about some two surlongs from the Citie, iust against the Tower Psephina. The other part of the army was intrenched right against the Tower Hippicus not farre from the Garden of the resurrection. And the third part had their Castle in the Mount of Oliues, some five surlongs or thereabouts from the Citie. Then did hee build Bulwarkes, make Engines, and wonderfull deuises, for the battering of the Walls; and combining himselfe with some of the Iewes. vpon the feuenth day of the fecond moneth, which answereth to the moneth of May, with great difficultie and much labour entred the first Wall which lay vpon the North, and woon Mount Bezitha and Neapolie. Vpon the twelfth of the same moneth (which was the Sabboth day) hee entred the second wall, which divided the suburbs: but this was againe the same day recovered by the vertue of the Iewes, fo that the Iewes were constrained to fight upon the Sabboth day, according to the prophecie of our Saujour Christ, Matt. 24. But after pon the fixteenth of this moneth of May, the Romans againe recourred this wall and kept it in their owne custody.

Within a while after in the month of Iune (about this time the famine growing intollerable within the towne) Titus in the space of three daies, compassed in the whole citie of Ierusalem with a Wall, and upon that fet Towers and Castles, lest any of the Iewes should flye to saue themselues. Thus was the prophecie of our Saujour Christ fulfilled, Thy enemies shall compasse thee about and hem thee in on enery fide. Iosephus was now in the Citie, and walking vpon the Walls, earnestly intreated the Iewes to defist, and no longer to oppose the Romans, but this was so hatefull a speech to many, that they began to fling darts at him. And although at this time the extremitie of the famine was so fore, that many dyed for want of fustenance, yet all perswasions were invaine; and fuch was the calamitie, that as well those as went out, as those that continued in the Citie, were in like danger of their lives; for they were either slaine by the enemy, or els by the pestilence and famine; common injuries, and vnmercifull outrages still attending vpon warre.

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Their misery did rather increase, then at all lesson it selfe; for the jealousie of treason, the hope of riches, and the madnes of the seditious distracted the mindes of the Citizens with continuall feares, and filled the streets full of murther and daily specacles of lamentable tragedies: The markets were unfrequented with Corne, the victuals, with violence confumed and taken from the true owners. And if it chanced that some one had more than would serue his turne, though he dwelt in a faire and stately building, yet the remotest roome and most vnfrequented he made his tabernacle, and that little which was left, with great parcimonie he confumed, together with his life, till both were ended. Those that were Fathers and Senats of the people (though before ferued and attended with reuerenced and great state) in this confufion was glad of a small morsell, though with much contention. The wife was not ashamed to take away the meate from her husband, nor the children from their parents, nor the mothers from their infants: And if it hapned that in any house the seditious feemed to smell foot, with violence they tooke it, ransackt the roomes round about, whiles the master therof was made a laughing stocke and mournfull spectator of those mischieses. But according to the condition of fouldiers, whose naturall disposition is to be violent, without any regard either of fex or kindred, committed daily outrages. So that here you might have feene the mothers weeping ouer their dying infants, whiles their husbands were massacred in the streets by the seditious.

The increase of daies were the increase of torments, and the daily want of such as were in power being vnaccustomed to such euils, caused them to inuent new meanes to satisfie their desire, and practise vnusuall torments, for no other purpose but to finde out sustenance: yea, such was their insatiable thirst of blood, that they spared not him whom but now gaue them all hee had, and least he should liue to cumber the city, either hang him vp by the heeles till he died, or else pulled out his entrailes with a sharpe yron. Those that went out in the night time when the Romans were assected to gather herbes, the seditious would meet and with violence take what they had got from them: and though with teares and lamentations, and prayers vpon their knees, they

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intreated but for one part, a small moitie of that which a little before they had got with danger of their liues, yet they would not
giue it them, and scap't fairely if they went away with life. These
infolencies were committed by the common souldiers, you such
as were of the meaner fort of people. But for the rest that were
either honorable or rich, they became a prey to the Captains and
Commanders, some accused as traitors, and that they would haue
betraied the Citie to the Romans, others as sugitiues, that they
would for sake the Citie; most vnder pretence of one crime or
other, dispoiled of that they had. And they whom some had injuried, they were entertained of Simon, and whom Simon had injuried, they were entertained by John; both drunke the bloud of
the miserable Citizens like water: So that the desire of rule was
the cause of their diffention, the concord of their euill and cruess
actions.

There was an infinite number that perished in this citie by famine, insomuch as houses were filled with the bodies of infants and children. The Angle gate was thrust full of dead corpes. The young men that remained, walked vp and downe the Citie like Images of death. The old men were destroyed by the pestilence, the contagion of which disease taking away their senses. they became madde. And of fuch as died among the feditious. their wives or kindred had not roome nor time to bury them, but as they were putting them into the graue they also dyed. Yet for all this, amongst this miserable societie, there was no weeping, no complaining, no deploring of their necessities, for the violence of the famin having dried up their radical moisture, the feare of griefe was taken from them: and fuch as had most cause to lament, and were most pricked with the sting of sorrow, before they could otter their griefe died, the beholders not shedding a tear: so that through the whole city there was a still silence, and a thicke mist of death, and destruction did fully possesse the fame.

But the feditious were much more cruell than these were oppressed with calamitie and forrow, for some opened the graues of the dead, and taking out their bodies thrust them thorow with their swords: Others to trie the sharpenesse of the edge of their weapons. weapons would fall vpon those that were yet aliue, and when they had slaine them, goe away laughing at their pleasure. So that as losephus saith, there was scarce any mischiefe vnder the Sunne, but was both practised and tollerated in this Citie. To conclude, by sedition the Romans conquered the Citic, and sedition con-

quered the Romans.

All loue and modestie, through this extreme and intollerable famine, became veterly extinct, and the deerest friends would kill one another for a crust of bread; the fairest Lady commit open adultery for a little sustinance. Their food was extraordinary and fuch as men did loath and hate: Some would feed upon fnailes and wormes, others of old hay chopt small; many ate corne either vnground or made into bread: some pluckt the meat from the spit raw, others with their teeth gnaud off the leather off their shields: And that very mouth which cried, Crucifie him, crucifie him, let his bloud be upon us and our children, was constrained to feed upon three forts of dung, that is to fay, Doues dung, Oxens dung, and Mans dung. Moreouer, many were constrained for meere necessitie, to feed upon the dead bodies of such, as a little before dyed, partly by famine, partly by the pestilence. And to conclude, for very madnesse eat vp their gold : for some of them being taken as they were flying for their fafety by the Romans, in their excrement was found gold, of which the fouldiers hearing, and supposing that all the lewes had beene full of gold, thorow couetousnesse of that gaine, in one night killed 2000 of them, and ript vp their bellies; And had not Titus Casar by a seuere Edict, forbidden these cruell and vnheard of slaughters, there had beene many more flaine.

To make an end of this vnheard of famine, I will repeat one memorable example our of *Iosephus*, of an outrage which a mother committed even vpon her owne sonne. There was a woman of the inhabitants beyond Iordan, whose name was *Marie*, of the stocke of *Eliazer*, and of the Towne Bethezor, which signifies the house of Histop; shee was of a noble and rich family, and among stothers, went to Ierusalem in hope of safety, where she was likewise oppressed with the miserie of this siege; for as soone as she had brought all her riches and substance into the City, which

the had before beyond Iordan, this famine growing greater and greater vpon the inhabitants. The seditious perceiving that this woman was well furnished both with riches and sustinance, on a suddain set voon her house, dispoiled her of her substance, tooke away her fustinance, and atterly deprived her of all meanes to live. Shee beeing pricked with the misery and calamitie of the times, saw it little prevailed to strive, wherefore with teares, vpon her knees the intreated that thee might have but some small part of that they had taken from her to maintain her felfe and her fon with life; but the seditious gave little eare to her intreaties: wherfore being mooued to extreme anger the daily curfed with contumelious words those barbarous villains, that had thus rob'd her of all her means: but when shee saw that neither anger nor intreatie could procure mercie, and through the Towne not one morfell of food was to be found, partly prest with an extreame necesfitie, partly with a furious rage, beyond all nature and compassion laid violent hands upon her owne sonne, and accounted an vntimely death more honourable, than that he should live to bee a prey to the seditious, or a slaue to the Romans.

The body of this infant sheer ofted and eat: the soldiers of the Towne beeing press with hunger, smelling the meat, supposing that as in former times, they should have sound plenty, with violence broke in vpon her, and looke what she had provided greedily consumed, and compelled her to setch the rest; which shee did, and when they were well satisfied, she shewed them the head and feet of her sonne: which they perceiving, loathing the inhumanitie of the sac, with dejected countenance departed. This samine was so extreame, that one measure of graine was worth a talent, that is, soo crownes. But the Romans all this while did abound with plenty of all things, and to vex the Iewes they shewed them the great aboundance of their store, for the neighboring provinces sent them supplies.

After this famine, there followed an extreme plague, procured partly through the stanch of the bodies that lay vnburied, partly by the multitude of the massacres that daily hapned, that (as Esisppus writeth) within the compasse of eleuen weekes, there were carried out by one gate of the Citie, 11 1000 dead bodies; vet

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could they not emptie the Citie, but that they were constrained either to bury them at the publike charge, or elfe cast them over the wals into the ditches of the citie which when Titus faw, and that the putrifaction of the bodies swam vpon the brim of the ditch (for it was full with dead carkaffes) fetching a deepe figh. and lifting up his hands to heaven, he faid, God is my witnes, this is not my fault, but the punishment of God vpon them.

The city being thus pestired with sedition, famine, pestilence, and warre, was made now a ready prey to the Enemy : and that they might make a finallend of their miferies, Titur caused the engines of batterie to be brought against the walls; and vpon the first day of the fourth month (which answers to our June) he took the third wall which lay vpon the North. Vpon the fourth of Iune after, though with great labour, he tooke the Tower of And tonia, and in it placed a Garrison. Vpon the seuenteenth day of the fourth moneth, which was a fast to the Iewes, Islephus going up to the top of that Tower, made an Oration to Giscalinus and the rest, to disswade them from their rebellion, & cease to oppose the Romans, but this little preuailed. Vpon the twentieth day of Iuly, the Iewes burnt a part of the Porch of the Temple towards the North, not far from the Tower of Antonia, lest that the Ro mans having got that Hold, should with the greater facilitie have horrible spectacle: The ground below was covered with dead conquered the Temple also. Two daies after, the Romans de stroyed the whole Porch with fire, and the Iewes helpt to pull it downe with their hands: this was none of the three Porches but a bulwarke of the Temple. Vpon the 25 day of July the Iewes filled the Porch toward the West with pitch and betume, and then made as though they meant to fly and leave the citie, which fome of the Romans perceiuing, without any command of their Captaines, put scaling ladders to the Tower, and began to assault it, but when they were most busie, the Iewes of a sudden put fire to the pitch, and burnt them most miserably; infomuch as Titus pittied them to see their extremitie, although they were such as did contrary to his command. Voon the last day of this monet they tooke the North gate, which lay towards the rifing of the Sunne, and close by the brooke Cedron; rhis they burnt downed with fire. V pon the third of August, Titus commanded to fire the

gate of the Temple, that was all couered ouer with gold & filter, by this gate the Romans made a breach into the Temple, which ere this had beene prophaned by the Iewes: whiles this gate was aburning the lewes flood aftonished and not one of them resisted the Romans. Cafar and all his army labored three daies to quench this fire, after which hee called a councell to determine what he should do with the temple, it was so rich and sumptuous, that he would faine haue left it as an ornament for the Roman Empire. But the Iewes having got a little breathing, made new incursions voon the Romans, by which meanes they could not determine thereof. The 6 of August, the souldiers of Titus, without command of their Captaines, fired the Temple, just vpon that day which Nebuchadnezzar before time had destroyed it; as Insephue witnesseth li. de Bell. 6.c. 26.27. Casar would faine haue saued this Temple for the sumptuousnesse of it, and beckoned to his souldiers to have quencht the fire, but they, partly press on with a defire of wealth, partly being prickt on with a fury and madneffe. gaue no eare to his speeches, but committed most cruell massacres, without either regard of age or fex: So that the cries of the flaughterd, the found of the Roman trumpets, the fierce refistance of the feditious, and the fire furiously burning, represented a most bodies, many in desperation threw themselves into the fire, 6000 were burnt in the same gate, whither they fled for refuge, and the priefts most cruelly massacred as they were in the Temple. This was the end of the Temple of Ierusalem, the mirror of the world, being confumed and spoiled with fire and sword.

After these things upon the bridge that passeth from the temple ouer the valley into the lower towne, Titus made a speech by an interpreter, to the two seditious Captaines, gently intreating them to leave off their rebellion, and he would spare the Citie and commit no more outrages, and such surther requests as they defired should according to reason be granted them; but if they would not embrace mercy and cease their violent resistance, they must expect no manner of compassion, but the very law of Armes. This they contemped and made but a mocke of Cafar, for all his offers; whereupon in a great rage hee gaue the fignal!

to his fouldiers, and they went through all the City and fet it on fire. The next day they woon the lower Citie, and with fire and fword confumed the place where the records lay, the Court and all the Princely buildings, wntill they came to that stately house of Helena, which stood in the midstof Acra, all the houses neere being filled with the bodies of the dead, and the streets horribly defiled with the bloud of those that were slaine. Within a short while after, Iehannes Giscalinus was taken alive and committed to prison.

The inferiour Citie being thus taken and destroyed, about the 16 day of August, Casar began to build his engines, and batter the walls of the upper citie, which within the space of 18 daies after with extreme labour and skill, hee laid flat with the ground, (as Iosephus saith.) And upon the 7 of September, with great facilitie hee conquered the citie, the Iewes of their owne accord descending from the Towers: and the Romanes set upon the walls their ensignes, with a great acclamation, and wasted all the citie with fire and sword, sparing neither men, women, nor children.

The 8-day of the moneth of September, the whole Citie was destroyed, and not a stone left vpon a stone but laid level with the ground, onely the three Towers that were built by Herod, which were of shining Marble (viz. Hippicus, Phaselus, and Mariamne) that suture ages seeing the excellencie of those buildings they might indge of the statelines of the rest. But these also were after destroyed by Adrianus Casar.

There died by the famine and pestilence an innumerable number, by fire and sword ten hundred thousand: 2000 were found that either killed themselues, or one killed another, 7900 were taken captiues, of these, all the seditions theeues that accused one another, were slaine by Frontonius Casar, Titus freed many, 7000 were sent into Ægypt, with extreme labour to consume and die, the properest and most able were reserved for triumph, many were distributed through the provinces, some were slaine by the sword, and by beasts for publike spectacles, and those that were 16 yeares of age and vnder, together with many other, Casar sold vnder the crowne, at thirty for a silver penny; that as Christ was sold for thirty pence, so thirty of them should be sold for a penny.

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With the riches of this towne Casar triumphed, rode into Rome with two golden Chariots, built the Temple of Peace, and there put all the plate which he found in the temple of Ierusalem. After all this, for a full determination of those euils, the two seditious captaines Iohannes Giscalemus and Simon the son of Giora, were put to most cruell deaths. Thus may we see the grieuous punishment of the obstinat and ambitious, which God permitted to fall vpon them for their unthankfulnesse and cruell tyranny.

How the city of Iernsalem after this destruction by Titus Vespal. was veterly beaten downe and defaced by Elius Adr. Cæsar, which here-edifying, called it after his own name Ælia.

"He city of Ierusalem being thus laid leuel with the ground, for the space of fixty yeares lay desolate, a receptacle for theeues and murtherers, a fit place for Wolues and wilde beafts, which reforted thither to feed upon the dead bodies. And now time confuming their flesh, left their bones and skuls to lye vpon the earth as in a Charnell house. Thus it continued untill one Benchochab (which signifies the Son of the Stars) born in the towne of Bethcoron not farre from Emaus, professed himselfe to be the Messiah or Christ. The lewes supposing this to be true. because of that saying of Numb. 24. There shall a Starrerise up out of lacob) affembled themselues to the number of many thousands and followed him, with great tyranny and crueltie spoyling the Holy Land, and through all the countrey of Iud a committing many outrages and massacres. Thus they continued for the space of eighteene yeares, at the end of which time Adrianus Alianus the Emperor hearing of those insolencies, leuied an Army and fent them into Iudea, under the gouernment of Iulius Senerus, who in a pitcht field neere to Bethcoron and not far from Emaus conquered this Benchochab or Pseudo-Messiah, and with him ilew fiue hundred thousand Iewes that were deceived by his perluation. Now when they went to feeke for the body of this Deceiuer amongst the Dead (as saith Talmudista) hee was found lying with an horrible Serpent about his necke; intimating how

God rejected him that would feem to imitate his Son; for even as the Serpent deceived our first Parents, so this Benchochab deceived the Iews, and for this cause they called him BencoZba, that is, The Son of Lying. The number of the Iewes which in the time of this war were slaine amounted to 500000 men, besides many others that perished by pestilence and famin. This warre hapned 64 yeares after the destruction of Ierusalem.

After this fecond defolation of the lewes at the command of the Emperor (that there might be a final extirpation of the antient city of Ierusalem, and that the words of our Sauior might be fulfilled, Lo, there shall not be a stone left upon a stone, Mat. 24) the ruines and foundations thereof were digged vp, the stones broken in pieces, the ground left desolate, and the mountains are now become barren and ouergrown with brambles: And that the name thereof might veterly be forgotten, and as it were rooted out of the earth, hee fet vp a new towne not far from the hill Gihon and Golgotha where Christ was crucified, which after he had adorned with many goodly buildings, he called it by his owne name; Ælia. In the place of the Temple he fet vp a Church in the honour of Iupiter and Venus. Iust in the place where the holy Altar flood, he erected his own image vpon a marble pillar, which continued vntill Saint Hieroms time. At Bethlehem he erected the Image of Adonis, and to that he consecrated at Church. Vpon the gates of the City he cut Hogs in marble, in contempt of the Iewes. Then did hee abiure them, That they should not come within the walls of the City, nor fet foot vpon the ground neere Ierusalem. This being done, (as Dion saith) he dedicated it to the honour of Iupiter Capitolinus; and only made it free for Christians and such like to be in it. This town at this day we call Ie. rusalem, although it be scituated in another place, and called by another name.

Future Ages calling the actions of precedent times into question, puld a great contempt upon this Towne, and so much the rather, because Insidelitie and other heathenish prophanesse was cherisht within this city. So that that which a little before was set up in honour of the Emperour Alianus, is now growne into contempt. Wherfore Helena the mother of Constantine the Great,

having command of that Empire, to give some satisfaction to the value salicite, caused those prophane Temples and Idols to be abolished; and in their places erected others. Upon mount Golgotha the church called Golgothams, upon the mount of Clives one in the place of the ascention of Christ: and Constantine her some richly adorned the Sepulchre, and over it built a stately Temple all of polishet marble, richly gilt with gold, so that to this day is remaines as the chiefe ornament of the rown. In this manifestine the sewes with great boldnesse indeanoured to rebuild the Team pleins in the place where it stood before: but at the commanded ment of the Emperour they were repelled, and in recompence of their presumption had their eares cut off and their noses slie, because they had eares and would not heare; neither losely the commanded ment of our Sautor.

But as the Emperor was religious, and endeauored to support Christianitie, so his successor Iulianus was as full of impictic and prophanenesse; who that he might frustrat the prophedie of our Sautor, That lerufalem thould never be built again, in comemor caused the Iewes to assemble together, and with all expedition restore it to its former glory, giving the vetermost of his helpero their endeauours. But as they were feriously labouring inthis work of a fueden there came a great earthquak o and looke what they had built was by that quite ouerturned; then hee came our of the earth and from heaven, which destroited both the matter and the Workemen. And that the Iewes nor any Philosophers might impute it to a natural cause, there was seen in the heavens a blottdy croffe, and upon their cloathes croffes thining like thars, which the fewer could by no means wipe off. Yet this little prevailed: a fecond time they attempted, & as before, a fecond earthquake hapned, with a storme of winde, which came with such extreme violence, that all the stuffe which they had beaped together for this purpose was otterly blown away and destroyed. So that of force they were constrained to leave off, & acknowledge, That Christ, whom their Forefathers had crucified, was the true Messiah. Greg. Nazian Zen and Hierome report, That neuerthelesse the lewes even to this day, although it cost them much money, come yearely to the place where Ierusalem stood, and vpon the day

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day of the destruction thereof weep ouer it. Such was their affeaion vnto this City.

But these enils were purged with a sudden inuation (for no crying injuries nor prophane infolencies against God passe vanunished, but that then or foone after a just revenge falls you them) for Cofroe: Emperor of the Persians, whose impudencie and impietic was so great that hee would be worshipped as a god, about the yeare of our Lord 615, befreged this town, tooke it and punto death 90000 Christians, carried the Patriarch thereofi to. gether with many others away captine. But Heraclimethe Emperor to punish him for his pride and crueltie set youn Persia, and with fire and sword destroied the country not far from Nineueh, conquered his chiefe captain Razetis in a fet battell, won the city of Nineueh, and went away with an honorable victorie. Serves alfor the only begotten forme of Cofroës, but a little before invading thekingdom, kild his father in prison, restored the Patriarch and the rest of the Gaptines which his father had taken, to Heraclinas, and about the foreact years after hee had warred upon Perfia hee renimbed to Alia with great pompe of the

Not long after in the yeare 637; Haumar the chiefe Prince of the Saracens, which was the third from Mahomet, with a great Army affished Syria and Jud za; conquered these Countries, and in his victories a fed a reat tyran pie and crueltie. Within two yeares after, he won Esta which had maintained a long and tharp fiege. neither would Zacharias the Patriarch give it vp, til he was compelled thereto by extreme faminiand foon after died with griefe.

2 Thus this sowne continued for the space of 450 yeares in the hands of the Saragens. Then in the yere 1012, Caliphas Sultan of Egypt won it, beat downe the walls, destroied the Temple which the Emperor Constantine had built, and made havock of al things. Presently upon this, the Turkes that came out of Scythia by the Caspian mountains, won the city, & draue thence the Saracens: Thus we may fee that the Saracens and Turks, though they were both of one religion, yet for the country of the Iewes fought one against another, and compelled the Christians to pay them Tribute for the fourth part of the city, wherein the Sepulch to of our Lord stood, being againe restored by the Emperor Constantine after the destruction of Caliphas,

The Christians being weary of this tribute, and of the oppression of the Insidels, became sutors to Pope Vrban the second of that name, for their deliuery; who in the yeare 1094 assembled a Councel at Clearemont in France, and by the instigation of one Peter the hermit, stirred vp the hearts of divers Christian princes and great Lords to make a croylado, so that 10000 braue & well mounted fouldiers went into the Holy land, and for a token of

their war bore red croffes upon their armes.

In the same yeare there was a great blasing starre seene in the West, and after that followed a great plague for the space of two yeares through the world: this neuerthelesse hindred them not in their designes, but that they went their intended journy, won the City of Ælia from the Saracens, deliuered the Christians from their bondage and tax, and chose Godfrey of Lorrain Earle of Bullion King thereof, whom they anointed in the Temple of the holy Sepulchre; but hee refused to be crowned with a Crowne of gold, faying, That it ill beseemed him to be called King of Ierufalem, (the true King whereof was Christ) or to sit crowned with gold, in the place where he was crowned with thorns that was the Son of the euer-liuing God:and then chose Arnolphus of Rhodes Patriarch.

In the moneth of October the same yeare, a blasing Starre of maruellous bignesse appeared towards the South: it seemed to be like a waving sword, foreshewing no doubt the destruction of all those that went about to re-establish this earthly Ierusalem. Immediatly after the Feast of the Natiuitie of Christ, all the Christians of the East countries upon Candlemas day came out of Syria, but especially out of Antiochia, to Ierusalem, & in the Temple of the holy Sepulchre confecrated their Bishops and Chorasters, and with one consent sung Illuminare Ierusalem. They tooke also all the Cities, Castles, and Villages, and ouer them set Bishops; created foure Principalities, one at Ierusalem, another at Antiochia, a third at Edissa, a fourth at Tripoly. Also certain Earledomes and Baronies, as at Brito, Zidon, Cæsarea, Galilee, Ioppa, and Ascalon. All these were appointed to pay tribute to the King of Ierusalem. All this was done in the yere of our Lord, 1099.

No sooner were these newes published to the world, but there was an vniuersall croysado through all Christendom, for the conquering and winning of the rest of the holy land, but before they could get thither, they were either slaine by the Grecians and other nations, or els died through famin & thirst so that in them was sulfilled the prophecie of Zacharias, cap. 12.3. where it is said, It shall happen that I will make Ierusalem an heavy stone for all people all they that lift it up shal be torn, though all the people of the carthbe gathered together against it. And verse 9, And in that day I will seeke to destroy all the nations that come against Ierusalem.

This yeare 1100 died Godfrey King of Ierusalem, of a seuer, vp. on the 18 day of Iuly, when he had reigned scarce a yere, and was

buried in the temple of mount Calvarie.

After him succeeded his brother Baldovin the first of that name, & second King of Ierusalem. This man reigned 18 years in Ierusalem, and being ouercome by Caliphas Sultan of Egypt, after the losse of thirteene thousand Christians, he had much adoe to escape with life. Within a short time after hee died without iffue.

Baldwin the second succeeded his vncle, and was the third king of Ierusalem. He began his reign Anno 1118. This man ouercame the Turks: and the King of Damascus had issue only one daughter, named Milesent, whom he maried to the Earle of Angiers, and gaue with her the kingdom of Ierusalem, and died without heire

male, in the yeare 1131.

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Falco in right of his wife succeeded his father in law, & was the fourth King of Ierusalem. This Fulco was brother to the King of England, he reigned 13 years, fought many worthy battels against the Turkes, put 3000 of their men to the sword, tooke many of them prisoners and caried them to Ierusalem. After that, as hee was hunting the Hare by Acon, riding speedily, hee fell from his horse and was sorely brused, whereof he died, and left two sonnes called Baldwin and Almerick.

Baldwin the third was the fifth King of Ierusalem, and succeeded his father. He wan the city of Ascalon, he rebuilt the towne of Boza, (which had beene destroyed) placed there certaine Knights Templers, he lost the City of Edista to the Saracens,

where many Christians were cruelly slain. And having reigned 19 yeares he died without issue.

After him succeeded his brother Almerick, as was the sixt king of Ierusalem. In the time of this king the Sultan of Egypt gaue agreat ouerthrow to the Knights Templers; which he seeking to reuenge, inuaded Egypt with a great army, besieged the great city of Alcaire, but to small purpose; where fore returning back to Ierusalem, he shortly after died, when he had reigned 12 years the left behinde him three children, a sonne called Baldwin, and two

daughters, Sibilla and Isabella.

Baldwin the fourth succeeded his father, and was the seventh king of Ierusalem; who abusing his government was struck with leprofie, with the contagion of which disease he died miserably. in the 25 yere of his age, having reigned 12 years. Baldwin the fift of that name, the onely begotten fon of his fifter Sibil, by his confent was chosen his successor, a youth of 9 yeares old, his fathers name was William Mount ferrat, earle of March, who dying his mother married one Guy Earle of Lusignan, to whom Baldwin committed the protection of the kingdome and of his yong kinfman till he came to mans estate. But this yong man within 7 years after the death of his vncle, died fitting at his table, not without fuspition of poison. Guy his protector, by the persuasion of his wife, and at the instigation of the Ierosolimits, took vpon him the gouernment: but Raimond Earle of Tripoli was his great aduersary, for that Baldwin 4. for his exceeding pride, at the instigation of that Guy had displaced him of all his Offices and titles in the commonwealth. These two striving for the kingdom, it hapned that Gny was charged with his kinfmans death, under which pretence Raimond made war against him. During these troubles, Saladine Sultan of Egypt taking advantage of this opportunitie, made war vpon them both, and with great facility conquered the kingdome and destroied Ierusalem.

In this yeare 1187, there happened so great an Eclipse of the Sunne, that at nooneday the Starres were plainely to bee seene. Soone after this, Raimond and Guy were both taken prisoners, and thirty thousand Christians cruelly put to the sword. After this, the Saracens sacked the Towne, threw the Bells out of the Stee-

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ples, made stables of the Churches, only the Temple on Mount Golgotha stood vntoucht: for the Turkes and Saracens honour

Christ as a great Prophet.

And thus the new kingdome of the Christians in Ierusalem ended, which was upon the second day of October, in the yeare 1187, after it had continued in their possession 88 yeares. During the continuance of this kingdome there were many horrible visions and strange Signes and Wonders seene both in Heauen, on earth, and in the ayre; foreshewing (no doubt) that God was not well pleased with their actions which sought to restore that kingdom of Ierusalem. For, My kingdome (saith Christ) is not of this world.

And although after that, there were many Kings that by all possible means endeauored to recouer and restore the same, and for that purpose haue leauied many great Armies, and vndertaken many tedious journies; yet all their counsels and determinations came to nothing, for that God so often as they vndertooke any such expedition, either stayed their Armies, oppressed them with war, or else plagued them with famine, in such an extreame measure, that with very hunger they have bin constrained to eat their Horses.

Frederick Barbaroffus may be an example of these calamities; who with a great army making an expedition to Ierusalem, as he was trauelling through Assaminor, his horse started and slung him into the river, where he died miscrably ere he could be saved. Many other Princes, besides in the like enterprise came to the like ends; for they were either destroied by the Barbarians, with the losse of thousands of their men cruelly slain, or veterly destroied with vnnatural diseases or vntimely deaths.

Now when the Emperour Fredericke the second of that name had beseeged and brought to great miserie the Sultan of Egypt, and the Knights Templers had done the like to Damieta; Corderio the Sultans son beat downe the walls of Ierusalem, and had it not bin for the great lamentations and ernest entreaties of the Christians, he would have destroied the city, but for their sakes he lest standing Solomons Temple, and the Temple of the holy Sepulchre, for at this time Christians inhabit in them.

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Within a while after, about the yeare 1228, Fredericke the fecond of that name, Emperor of Rome, went to the holy land with agreat army, and came to Ptolomais, otherwise called Acon, where staying a while, he made a league with the Sultan of Egipt for ten years, regained Ierusalem without drawing sword, & was there crowned in the yeare 1229, keeping at that time in Ierusalem a royal Easter. This man fortified the Christians with a garrison, rebuilt Nazareth and Ioppa, and so returned into Italy.

In the yeare 1246, Cassana King of the Tartars being persuaded by the Sultan, with a great army inuaded Iudæa, won Ierusalem, caused the Christians to be cruelly slaine, beat downe the holy Sepulchre even to small pieces, and left but little standing. It was after this destroyed by Tamerlaine King of the Tartars, and by Mahomet the second of that name, Emperour of the Turkes. But the Monkes had leave to build up the holy Sepulcre againe, for the which they payed to the Sultan or his Deputy a yearely tribute.

In the yeare of our Lord 1516, Selymus Emperor of the Turks, about the twenty fourth day of August, neere to Damascus ouercame Campson Gaurus Sultan of Egypt in a cruell Warre, and put to death many thousands of his men; and the Sultan himselse feeking to faue his life by flight was miferably flaine. This Selymus conquered the Holy Land, Syria, Damascus, and all the Countries thereabouts; and as he went through Iudæa, leaving his Army at Gaza, with a few of his Souldiers he went to Ierufalem, that he might see with his eyes that place which was made fo famous by the antient Writers, and was so often mentioned in the Old and New Testament. But when he came he found nothing but a ruinate and waste place, barren and rude to looke vpon, inhabited by a few poore Christians, and they also held in great contempt and bondage, paying a great tribute to the Sultan of Egypt, for their liberty and the holy Sepulchre, as P. Iouius writeth. But after that Selymus in that place had done his Offerings and Sacrifices to his god Mahomet, feeing the Priests and Christians press with extreme pouertie, out of his singular mercy and compassion gaue them a large and sumptuous gift, when hee had stayed but one day and one night in the Towne. The next morning before day he went with all expedition to his Army at Gaza, & from thence into Egypt, where he befieged the great and famous city Alcaire, and in the yeare 1517 took it, conquered all the country, vtterly extirpated the Sultan, and went away with an honorable victory and rich booty. From this yeare euen till now, the towne of Ælia or Ierusalem is vnder the jurisdiction of the Turks. Thus may we see how often, and with what miserable calamities this city hath bin afflicted, euen since the first destruction by Vespasian, which makes euident the great judgment of God not only vpon the Iews, but also vpon the earth where they inhabited, for their infidelitie and vnmercifull cruelty.

The description of Ierusalem and the scituation thereof as it is now in the setimes.

He former incursions and common desolations leaving this town ruined and spoiled for want of inhabitants, it became a desart and forsaken place; onely some few Christians, either out of the zeale of religion, or for vulgar oftentation, to shew that there had bin a town, dwelt there: and thus it continued vntill the yeare 1542, at which time Solyman the great Turk, either in respect of the strength of the place, or in hope of profit, or else to get himselse a name, with great cost and labor re-edified it, set vp many stately buildings and sumptuous houses, beautisted it with two costly Temples, the one the Temple of Solomon, and the other the holy Sepulchre; inlarged the extent thereof, and seated it vpon high hils. After all this, compast it about with a spatious and thickewall, and vpon that placed many strong and stately towers, wherein there stands eight gates, viz, the fish gate, the Old gate, S. Stephens gate (so called because they say S. Stephen went out by that gate when hee was stoned) the Angle gate, the Dung gate, the Sheep gate, the Golden and Fountaine gates. Thus the antient city, and that which the Emperor Adrian built, being both destroied, in another place is set up again. So that between both, this new city standeth, and the first city begins to be again inhabited.

Of the Temple of the holy Sepulchre.

His Temple lieth vpon the West within this new towne, at I first fairely built by the Emperor Constantine, but destroyed by Caliphas Sultan of Egypt: then by the Emperours of Constantinople rebuilt, which continue th to this day. It is round in the proportion, adorned with 79 pillars 30 foot long; the widenes by the Diameter (besides the pillars) is 73 feet, leaded aboue, and vpon the top of the roofe standeth a Lanthorn, by which the light commeth in: this Lanthorne is very curioufly glased. In the middle standeth the holy Sepulchre. To this joyneth the Church in mount Golgotha, and serueth in stead of a Quire. It flandeth something lower, but all vnder one roofe. The place where the holy Sepulchre standeth is four square, eight foot long and eight broad, hewne out of a rocke, and couered with marble; there is a little doore in the East part of it, very low, by which mengo into it, and within that the Sepulchre it felf standeth vpon the North side, made of gray marble, three handfuls high, and eight foot long. There are no windowes for light to come to it, but ouer there hangeth continually nine lamps burning, wherby it receiveth light. The vault of this Sepulchre is divided with a wall; the outward is both of the same proportion and length as the inward, but that which is without feemeth to be an entrie to the inner caue where Christ was buried: and there (as some fay) euen to this day is found a piece of the stone which the Angel? rolled from the grave before the refurrection; the other part of the stone (how soeuer it came there) lyes vpon mount Sion. But some thinke that the Armenians carried it thither, because vpon it they have built an Altar. In this inner caue there hangs nine lamps to give light vnto them that enter in by the East; so that in the inner and outer Vault there standeth eighteene Lamps. The Mountwhereon Christ was crucified seemeth to stand upon a rocke of stone, whit shand fomthing blushing. It is distant from the holy Sepulcre 130 foot. The place where the Crosse stood was an hard rocke, eightcene steps in the ascent, and answereth to mine and twenty feet. The hole where the Croffe flood is about the

the roundnesse of a mans head in latitude; and if a man might believe the Monkes thereabouts, they say also that in that place is to be seene the colour of our Sauiours bloud even to this day. Vpon the lest hand of this there stands an Altar made of marble, and over that a sumptuous Chappel paved and covered with polish the marble, gilt and adorned with refulgent gold, the wals where of are very curiously wrought and gilded. In the Church vpon mount Golgotha they also shew part of a pillar naturally blacke, spect with red spots, where they say Christ was whipt, and make the Vulgar believe that these specks are the drops of bloud that fell from him. The other part of this Colume was caried to Constantinople, as it was thought. In this church Godfrey sirst Christian King of Ierusalem, and the rest of his successors lie buried.

Of the Temple of Solomon as it is at this day.

His Temple lieth towards the East, and was built by the L Christians iust in the same place where the former Temple stood at the time when this City was rebuilt and inlarged. The body thereof is very high and spatious, and built of polisht marble, adorned with most exquisit and curious workemanship, very artificiall and glorious both within and without, infomuch that the polished stones cast a singular beautifull and resplendant lustre. Aboue it is couered with lead, and was built up at the cost and labor of the Grecians; in the roofe whereof the Turks place an halfe moone, as they viually doe in all fuch churches wherein they come and haue authority. The Turkes and Saracens haue this Temple in great reuerence and deuotion, they adorne it (according to their custome) with divers artificial pictures and emblems. They will suffer no Christians to enter into it, nor any Iewes vpon paine of death. And if it happens that at any time they go into it, they first wash themselues with water very clean, then put off their hose and shoos, and so go bare foot. This Temple they call the holy Rocke, and in the body thereof there hangeth 700 lamps which burne night and day. In the midst hereof there standeth a certaine little rocke euery where indented with yron, neere to which not any of the Saracens or Infidels dare to approach or touch, although there come many very farre to vi-

fit it: for they beleeue that there were many memorable & worthythings done in that rock: they think that Melebisedeck the first priest of the great God offered bread and wine vpon it. Genes. 14. and that here the Patriarch Iacob saw the Ladder which reached from heauen to earth, Gen. 28. which indeed hapned not in Ierusalem, but in Bethel, as the Scriptures witnesse. Further they beleeue, that vpon this stone Dauid saw the Angel of the Lord standing with a shaken sword when he strook the city with the pessionece, 2 Sams. 24. and that the Priess of the old Testament offered vpon this stone their sacrifices to the Lord, which were denoured with fire from heauen. All which things do vtterly differ from holy Scripture.

The Iewes also are of opinion, That the prophet Ieremy about the time of the captivity of Babylon, in this stone hid the Ark of the Couenant, vntill such time as the Lord brought the people backe again from the captiuitie. Which is commarie also to the books of the holy Scripture; for, a Mach. w. 1813 and, it was hid in the mount Nebo, where Moses stood when he saw the whole land of Canaan. Also the Turkes say that Christ sate vpon this stone when Simeon tooke him in his armes and blessed him. Here also he sate in the midst of the Doctors when he was but twelve yeares of age, Luk:2. which also differeth from the Scripture; for this was not the body of the Temple, but in the middle court or Solomons porch, which sometimes was taken for the Temple, because it ioyned to it. And divers circumstances of the Scripture do seeme to make this euident, because heere Christ taught, and here the people viually met together, as appeareth, Iosh. 10. and Pfal.72.

About the Temple of Ierusalem there is a fair Plain much refembling our Church yards, all paued with marble stone. To this there is adioyning a faire Church couered with lead, & was somtimes called Solomons porch; but after the Christians had woon Ierusalem they gaue it the name of S. Maries. The Turke keepes burning in this daily 800 lamps, and it is much greater than that of Solomons Temple. The Sultan of Egypt also about an hundred yeares before, built a little Church or Moscho close by Solomons Temple, wherein are continually burning 88 Lampes. There

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is a vault under the Temple of the bleffed Virgin Mary, of fuch an extraordinary greatnesse that 600 horse may easily be placed in it. And thus we may see the Temple of Solomon and city of le phaned with the blasphemous doctrine of Mahomet. And also we may here behold the abomination of desolation standing in the holy place where somtime was the Ark of the Couenant, Dan, of Mat. 24. and the prophecie of leremy is fully finished, ca. 19. This place shall be unclean like unto the place of Tophet, where they did sacri. fice to the Host of heaven, and unto other strange gods.

> Of other buildings within the city of Elia, which is now called Ierusalem.

Mount Sion is placed toward the South of Ierusalem, where even at this day the Monks vndertake to shew the ruines of Davids Tower, the sepulchres of the Kings of Israel, and many other holy places. But P. orosius and other Historians write, How in the time of Adrian Casar there happened a great earth quake in such a terrible maner, that the mountain of Sion with the sepulchre of David fel down and were vtterly defaced. Further all true Historians do write, That Adrian the Emperour did so much deface the City, that hee left not a stone standing upon a stone, nay not a whole stone, but all were broken into small pieces; and yet notwithstanding pilgrims are so mad and blind, that they go this ther with great pains to feeke those holy places, where when they come, with the expence of a great deale of time, in recompence of their pains are made a laughing stocke to the Kings of Ierusa. lem, and find nothing but feigned and supposed holy places and buildings: fince the words of our Sauior manifest, That there shall not be a stone left upon a stone which shall not be broken to pieces. And Borchardus the Monk faith, That the Romans caused the Temple and other princely buildings, together with the mountains, to be thrown downe and cast into the vallies, with which being filled, there remaineth not so much as an Emblem of the old Citie. From whence may evidently appeare, That those places which are now shewen to Pilgrims by the Monkes of Ierusalem, are

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meerly suborned and feigned, on purpose to deceiue them & get their mony. They are very simple therefore that go to Ierusalem feeke their faluation in such places. And as for the Sepulchre(as rusalem not only to be in the power of the Turkes, but also prove is aforesaid) the Tartars beat it all in pieces; so that this monument of our Lord is not to be found vpon the earth. Wherefore our Sauiour Christ is no more to be sought among the dead, but in the facred monument of his holy word, for there he hath promised to make evident his divine presence,&c.

> Of the Sects that are in and about the Temple of the holy Sepulchre.

N and about the church which is built ouer the holy fepulcre 1 vpon mount Calvarie, there are at this day many of divers nations and countries which inhabit, of diuers opinions and Religions. And although they differ in material points of their faith, yet would they be al Christians: of which number there are some Latines, Greekes, Abisfines, Armenians, Gregorians, Nestorians, Surians, and Iacobins.

The Latines for the most part are such as wee çall Franciscan Latines. Monks, Observants, or Friers. These have the keoing of the holy Sepulchre, and looke to it very diligently; where somtimes they make a certain number of Knights of the noble Order of S. 10 hns Templers, with many ceremonies and great folemnities. These Knights are girt with a fword all gilt, hanging in a red velvet girdle; achain of gold is put vpon them worth about 100 Hungarian duckets, at the end whereof there hangs a Ierusalem Crosse of gold. This kind of croffe also they are permitted to weare vpon their armes and clothes; then have they a paire of gilt spurres with velvet tyings. But before they are admitted into this order, they must sweare vpon the holy Sepulchre to maintain & defend the doctrine of the Pope.

The Grecians that are there be also Monkes, and doe inhabit Grecians. within the Temple of the holy Sepulchre; but they have the keeping of the place where our Sauior Christ was crucified, and differ from the Romanists. For they beleeve first, That the holy Choft proceedeth from the Father and not the Sonne, Secondly, they

they give the Sacraments in both kinds; thirdly, they hold not the Pope to be head of the Church; fourthly, they deny Purgatory and prayer for the dead; fiftly, they fing Masse in their own language that every man may understand it, but they observe see wen Sacraments as the Romanists do. They teach men to pray to and call upon Saints, they yearly observe two strict fasting daies, and eat no sless upon Saturdaies.

The rest of the Grecians that are through the East parts leave mariage free, as well for the Clergy as Laity, and condemne the Latine Priests because they marry not. They allow no grauen images in their Churches, but in some places of their Churches they have faire painted pictures hanging. They approve not the Pope, but have a Patriarch for their high Bishop, which Patriark is greatly reverenced, and much honored in Constantinople.

The Abissins be such as are of Prester Iohns gouernment: their complexion is browne, their habitation is in the Temple vpon mount Calvary, on the East side of the Church dore: They also approue not the Pope, but allow Priests to mary, and give the sacrament in both kinds; yet there are many sects and opinions a mong them for bearing those meats forbidden in the old Testament: they circumcise both male and semale, which the Iews do not; they observe our Saturday for their Sabbath; they baptise their children with fire, of which I will speake more hereafter, in the description of the towne of Saba.

The Armenians are Christians, and come out of Armenia; their dwelling is in a Chappellypon mount Sion neere to Saint Iames his church; they deny the Pope to be head of the Church; they minister the Sacraments in both kinds; their Priests marry; they forbeare the meats forbidden in the old Testament. They have a kinde of custome, to whine and cry by the graves of the dead; ypon Twelsth day they keep a great feast, and the next day begins their Lent, which they keep strictly, and cat neither eggs nor fish, nor any living thing during that time: They observe Wednesdayes and Fridayes; they preach, sing and say their Service in their own tongue; they deny prayer for the dead, and Purgatory; they all weare hats with blew hat-bands.

The Gregorians are Christians that dwell by the great city of

Trapezunta vpon the Euxinian Sea. Their Priests marrie, but if their wives die they must not marrie againe. They dwell in Ierusalem, in the Church vpon mount Caluarie, where Christ after his resurrection showed himselfe like a Gardner vnto Marie Magdalen.

The Nestorian heretickes, who now are found in great numbers in Niniuie, which at this day is called Mossell, and in other places thereabout; doe yet hold the heresic of Nestorias there master, and teach, That Christ had two natures, and that he hath two persons, and that Marie was not the mother of God, but that she bare Christ who was man onely: about their Hats they were slesh coloured hatbands. Some of their Priests are found to dwell in the Temple of mount Caluarie.

The Surians follow the Græcian Christians, touching the most surians, of their opinions; they respect not much their religion; for in regard of their pouertie they are forced to worke for day wages vuder the Turks. Some of them also dwell in Ierusalem in a church called S. Marks, which standeth in the place of the housewhere Iohn Marke dwelt, where the Apostle Peter knockt when the Angell led him out of prison.

The Sect of the Iacobins are resident in a Chappell which stander deth behind the Sepulchre. They take that name of Iacob the Hereticke, who was a Disciple of the Patriarch of Alexandria; they are wavering and vnconstant among themselves, and are here and there found in Iudæa, Ægypt, and Barbarie, divided into many Sects; for some of them hold with Entichus and Macharus, who ascribe one nature to Christ, which is the Godhead, and denie the manhood. Some of them circumcise their children, some baptise them with fire, and make a crosse vpon their saces. Of this sierie baptisme you shall reade more hereaster in the description of the Citie of Saba.

Hereby you may note, how the temple of the holy Sepulchre in Ierusalem is filled with many Sects, who altogether give and pay tribute to the Emperour of the Turkes; whereby you may see that Christ will be no more fought in the holy Sepulchre, but rather in the holy Euangelists, where he suffereth himselfe to be found by all those that seeke him with a pure heart.

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of the Sects of the lewes.

N these our times the lewes do inhabite in Ierusalem, and are divided into many sects, that is to say, Pharises, Saduces, Essas, Genisteis, Morboneis, and Meristeis. The Pharises tooke that name from the interpretation of the law, and is deriued from the Hebrew word Parasch, which fignifies to expound: so that Pharafei is as much to fay as Doctor or expounder of the law: they approue of Moses and the Prophets; they hold the immortalitie of the soule: but of Christ and the principall parts of his Doctrine, of the law, of finne, and of ceremonies, they have many vngodly opinions and expositions. They faine that the law was instituted by God for outward discipline; that sinne is onely outward transgression & the violating of mens traditions: they hold there is no originall finne, but that men may performe the Law, and merit euerlasting life; besides many other things, as washings, fastings, offering gifts in the Temple, and such like ceremonies : of which there is no commandement extant in the Scripture. Reade Mat. 3.59.12.5. &c. Mar. 2.3.7. &c. loh. 3.7.8. &c. Acts 15.23. &c.

The Saduces give themselves an honorable title, being derived from Zednkim or Zeddikim, calling themselues just, from the word Zadok, He was just, and by Amphetresim is not unproperly derived from Dicaios, or Dicaios, fignifying justus : and by Prothesin in Latine, Index a Judge. So that Zaddik or Zadducaus fignifies a just Iudge, which would judge all others, but they themselues were without offence: Thus the worst men got the best names. They onely allow the fine bookes of Moses; they dreame the Messias should be an earthly king; they beleeve the soules of men to bee mortall, and to perish with their bodies; they doe not beleeue the refurrection nor that there are either Angels, Spirits or Diuels.

The Essas had rather be called Studients, taking their name from Asa, under which title they would seeme to reprehend, and among ft other things avoid the profane liberty of the Saduces, and approve not the arrogant diffimulation of the Pharifes; but that they teach more dinine and profitable precepts. These line a Monastical life, vnmarried; their goods are common; for the most part they practife physicke: in their assemblies, the ancientest of them read some part of Moses law, or some of the Prophets; all of them both youg and old at certaine times of the day, fay prayers. They have no new kinde of doctrine, but imbrace the Priefthood of Moses: They dwell in the desarts and vtmost parts of Iudea neere to the lake Asphaltites, and in the garden of Balm neer Iericho, where the antient Prophets Elias and Eliseus had their schools, whose disciples were called the children of the prophets, These three sects began in Iudas Macchabeus time, Ioseph. 1.3.0.18.

The Genisteis are faid to be those that do certainly affirm, that they are of the posteritie of Abraham, although they have lost their genealogies, & cannot proue it. These call themselves great and noble, and are of the stocke of those that in the captivitie of Babylon married the wives of other nations: of which you may reade in Nehem. So that they are halfe Gentiles, halfe Iewes, and account themselves to be of the Nobilitie.

The Morboneis very folemnly observe the Saboth, which made ny others that are flatterers of the Turkes and Saracens doe not: there are a great company of these; for almost all the Iewes doe very superstitiously celebrate the Saboth: and therfore they take their name partly from a Multitude, and parly from Vsurie; for Merebech in Hebrew signifies a multitude, and Tarebah V surie.

Meristeis are those lewes that divide the Scripture, and say the Prophets spoke not all with one spirit; and what they list they make Scripture, and what they lift they leave out: and therefore the Grecians call them Meriftein, which fignifies to divide.

There are also others in these our times that are lewes too, but they are called Samaritanes, which onely approue of the Mosaicall law, and reject the rest of the Scriptures and Prophets. These are so called from Keeping: for this word Schamar properly signifies to preserve or keepe a speech in heart, and hath therefore a certaine congruitie and consonance with the Latine word Sermo: fo that Schamar in Hebrew, and Sermo in Latine, are much what of one fignification.

But all the Iewes, except the Saduces have one faith; they thinke they may fulfill the commandements, and by their owne workes be instified and purchase eternall life. They deny the Trinitie and Christ, and dobeleeue that their Mesias is yet to come, and shall bring them backe againe into the land of Promise.

Of the Saracens and Turkes which inhabit in Iernsalem: of their faith and religion.

He Saracens are a people of Arabia the flony; of the posteritie of Ishmael the son of Abraham, which he begat of Hagar. From whence they are rightly called Agarins, notwithstanding they had rather bee called Saracens. Others call them Saracens, a Saraca, which is a part of Arabia the stony. It seemeth therefore that these people tooke their name from a principality; for Sarar in Hebrew is the same that Principatum gesti is in Latine, or if you will, Principatum obtinuit, which signifies (to obtaine Principalitie.) And therefore the Saracens, or Sarazens, may be said Princes or Captaines, whose Principalitie extends it selfe far and neere: but Agarins signifies Peregrinators; for Gar or Gar

is as much to fay as a Pilgrim.

These people combined themselves with Mahomet that talse Prophet, borne of obscure parentage: his fathers name was Abdiminech, of his wife that was of the family of Ishmael, or of the Saracens, borne in Arabia the stony, (and as it is express in their Alcaron) vpon the xxj. day of September, according to our account, about the yeare of Christ 570. he tooke his name from a tumultuous confusion: for hamah signifies tumultuatus est, he hath beene tumultuous; And Hamam, tumultuando disturbauit, He divided by contention. From hence Maimo fignifies tumultuor, A contender, and Maiomai, concitor, a rebell. From whence may be gathered, That Mahomet is an ominous & seditious name. Whiles he was in his infancie hee lived with his father; after, being of a prompt wit, he ferued one Abdomoneplis a Merchant, in whose sernice conversing with Christians and Iewes, he got a smattering knowledge of the old and new Testament, and many acquaintance; amongst which was one Sergim an Arian Monke, a man very well affected of this Abdomoneplis. Abdomoneplis died, and by the persuasion of this Monke, Mahomet married Cadican his wife, although the was fiftie yeares of age, and by her had great riches: shee soone after also died, and lest Mahomet all that shee had. He on a sudden, being lift up to this height of substance, grew very ambitious (for he was naturally proud, wrathfull, a theefe, a whoremaster, a most impudent adulterer, and whersoever he came

made hauocke of all things. (This man by the helpe of the Sarazens and others, affected the kingdome of Arabia, which within thort time after he obtained, entring Mecha the chiefe city therof, vpon Thursday the fifteenth of Iuly, anno Dom. 622, and by the helpe of two Iewes and this Sergius, wrote that blasphemous Law of the Alcoron, falsy professing himselfe to be a Prophet, and began cruelly to oppose himselfe against all neighbouring nations and cities.

The Alcaron taketh the name from Splendor or Brightneffe; for Al in the Arabicke, is as much as Karan in the Hebrew, and that fignifies to shine or cast forth a brightnesse. This Alcaron containes a blasphemous and detestable law, written in the Arabian tongue without any order or colour of knowledge, teaching manifest lyes, and execrable blasphemies against God; and for the most part, the pleasures and delights of this world: for he doth deny that there is one eternall essence of the Deitie, and the holy Trinitie; our Sauiour Christ they one while call the Sonne of God, and another while, the Soule or Spirit of God. They deny his Deitie, but say, that he was a holy man, borne without a father, of the chast and incorruptible Virgin Marie. And although he was before all beginning, yet they beleeue that he was not begotten. but created before all other effentiall creatures, by the eternall God. Also they say hee was not crucified, but some other in his place; and therefore the faluation of man not to confift in the merits of Christ, but in our owne proper workes. And that the Iewes might embrace the Alcaron, they retaine Circumcision, which is commonly done when the children are thirteene yeares of age; about which time, Ishmael was circumcifed. They for beare the meates forbidden in the Law; they have many wives at one time; they tollerate a bil of Diuorce, and affirme that after the refurrection men may have many wives, and with them banquet, furfet, and vse pleasant recreations, with divers such errours and vaine trifles, which for breuities fake I omit.

That hee might the better perswade men to embrace and beleeue these his lies, and blasphemous doctrines, he very cunningly seemed to confirme them with many false and sained miracles:

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and among it the rest this was oue: Having taught a white Doue to fetch corne in his eare, whiles he was preaching to the people, it chanced she came and sat vpon his shoulder, and putting her bill into his eare according to her accustomed manner, he perfuaded the people that it was the spirit of God, which deliuered him the words of the Law. A Bull alfo, taught after the fame manner, at his voice came before him, and kneeling downe did him reuetence, with the Alcaron tied vpon his hornes; which he affirmed was come from heaven and brought that new Law. Then did hee make divers hornes of gold and fillier, and filling them full of milke hid them in the earth; after which, in a great affembly he caused the same places to be opened, and told the people that these fignified plenty and abundance, to all such as kept and observed that Law: But the violaters thereof should be punished with death. Together with many other such like idle and foolish miracles, (which would be too tedious to recite) that he might make the people beleeue that it came from God. And being afflicted with the falling fickenesse, gaue it out, that then the Angell Gabriel told him the Law, making this likewife a meanes to further his designes: but after, viz. vpon the eighth of lune, Anno Dom. 622. and in the fixtie one yeare of his age, he died miserably of this disease, after he had raigned in Mecha ten yeres; and Enbubizer or Abubachar his father in law succeeded him in the gouernement, who bailt in his honour a Church, and in that put his fepulchre, both stately and sumptuous.

The Turkes also embrace this doctrine, and joyned their forces with the Saracens: They extended their Empire under Mahomet the third, into Asia, Europe, and Affrica. They derive their name (as I suppose) from Crueltie; for Turca signifieth A srnell destroyer, or an armed enemie, being derived from the Hebrew word Tarach, that is, to effect his purpose. From whence they are not improperly called of the Gracians review to vex and make wearie; or else from the Hebrew word Tachera, which fignifies a shield; and from the Greeke word sopat and sopatist, to put on a shield, and to arme themselues: for the Turkes are armed enemies, and destroyers of the whole world: And by Ezechiel are

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called Gog and Magog, cap. 38. 6 39. of Magog which was the fon of Iaphet, Gen. 10, and as some thinke inhabited the North parts of the world, Pliny places them in Bospherus, Cimmerius, Scythia, &c. which lieth toward the East. But indeed they have of. ten changed their residence, and haue come into Persia, Armenia, Syria, Palestina, Arabia, & cruelly destroyed them, until they had conquered Confiantinople, and got a great part of Europe; and have infected the mindes of al the inhabitants in those parts with their manners, flaughters, and rapines, according to that blafphemous Law of the Alcaron. They first afflicted those parts about the yeare of our Lord 760. Constantius Copronius, being then the Emperour of Rome; fince which time they have conquered a great part of the World,

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A Relation of the Trauells and

Peregrinations of the Saints and holy Patriarchs, as they are seuerally mentioned in the first Booke of Moses.

And first of the first man, ADAM.



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the Hebrews called him Enosh, which signifies, a mortall and miserable man: for this attribute to man agreeth with the word Nofeh, which fignifies to be ficke of a deadly discase. There are some that thinke that man was made in Syria neere to Damascus, because there is found much redde earth. Others fay neere to Hebron a citie in the Tribe of Iuda, and there also lies buried; for in a caue neere that place, lies much redde earth, which the inhabitants euen to this day shew vnto Pilgrims: but this is nothing to the purpose, since we know that man was first created, and then brought into Paradise, Gen. 1. and 2.

Of Paradife. DAradise, which in Greeke is rapeston, and in Hebrew Pardes, signifies a pleasant Garden plentifully surnished with fruitfull trees, but principally Myrtle trees, which beareth a kinde of berrie of a very delectable taste: for this Hebrew word seemeth to be a compound, that is, of Parab, which signifies to fructifie, and Hadas, a mirtle; of the fruit of which tree, there is made a certaine wine called mirtle or mulberrie wine: the mysterie hereof is, that Christ is that tree of life, that fruitful and pleasant mirtle, wherby we are raised up unto eternall life, Gen. 2. Apoc. 22. Mat. 11. Luther calleth Paradise in his discourse of Germany, a pleasant Garden, Eccl. 2. Munster, an Orchard: and in the Bible it is called Eden. a place plentifully furnished with al things necessary for the procuring of pleasure & delight. The Grecians call it Hedone, which fignifies an extraordinary delectable and pleasant place; for in it there was great aboundance of all things, as well of trees, fruits, herbes, and sweet smelling floures, as of beasts and sowles of the heauen. Into this place God put man, to dresse it and keep it: But where it stood, and whether it be now upon the earth, there are divers opinions: the Romanists hold, that it is placed in the East without the Tropicks: others would have it under the Æquator, because it is a very temperate region but experience tells vs, that there it is very hot and scorching: others think it stands upon the top of a high mountain, free from all the violent motions and impressions of the ayre, in which place they hold Anoch and Eliah are yet living: there are others that affigne the whole East part to be Paradife, and that there were some peculiar places most fruitfull, of which they thinke was Syria, Damascus, Arabia Fœlix, Egipt and Iudza, in which part man was put. They also say, that the tree of Knowledge stood vpon Mount Caluary, neere about that place where Christ was crucified, so that he made satisfaction for finne in the same place where sinne was first committed. And this I hold to be the better opinion; and that it remained till the deluge, kept in the custody of Angells, at Gods appointment, and by the floud, together with other creatures, was abolished.

And for that faying of our Sauior to the theefe upon the croffe, This day shalt thou be with me in Paradise, is not to be understood of the earthly Paradife, but of the heavenly, the place of the bleffed angels and faints, where God with his divine majesty filleth them with the light of righteousnesse, and quickness them with evernall life. This place Paul cals the third heaven, and that heavenly Paradise of which the earthly Paradise is a type, 2. Cor. 12.

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Of the foure Liners that watered Paradife.

He foure Flouds of Paradife, were, Pison, Gihon, Hidekel and Euphrates, Gen.2. There was but one Fountaine of all these floods, and this was in Paradise it selfe, which in those times was divided into foure streames. But as by the Flood all the face of the earth was changed, so likewise were these rivers, and their Fountains and Channells altered from the places where at first they were; notwithstanding, in memory of them, there remaines fome reliques, though perhaps not in the same place, nor springing out of one and the same Fountaine, as they did before. And as the Mediterranean sea, the gulph of Arabia, and many other Meeres and Lakes, before the Flood, were not, but (by the generall consent of all learned men) hapned by that huge inundation; the same may be said of these Rivers.

The head, or beginning of the River Pischon or Pison, is 4800 miles Eastward from Ierusalem, and is like vnto an arme of the Sea, some 12 or 16 miles ouer, and for that cause it taketh the name from Posch, that is, increasing, or, of an extraordinary greatnes: from hence the Grecians cal it Phuson, because it divides it selse into divers Rivolets or Streames. It compasseth in Havilah, it diuideth that part of the world which wee call India, into the outward and inward: and there is called Ganges, taking that name from an Æthiopian King called Gange, as Swydas faith. Some fay it is wnknowne where it first riseth:others say it riseth in Scythia, and watereth all the neighbour countries as it passeth along, as Nylus doth, and so being dispersed into 30 channels, divideth India with one of them: the narrowest place of Ganges is 8 miles ouer, and the shallowest 100 foot deepe, it bringeth forth Dolphins, Crocodiles, and divers other creatures.

Solinus and Strabo faith, That the River Tygris riseth in Armenia, a very faire and cleare Fountaine; it is distant from Ierusalem six hundred miles towards the North: it runneth with such an exceeding swiftnesse, that fishes cannot swimme a gainst it, and passeth through the lake of Arthusia, without once mingling it selfe with the water: and for this cause it is called

Tigris, which fignifies, a dart, and a beaft of extraordinary swiftnesse and crueliy. This River running from towards the North and the rifing of the Sunne, it compasseth in Mesopotamia, and passeth by the borders of Media and Assiria, and after that of Chaldea and Arabia, it there receiveth in the River Hydaspis. and so joyning with Euphrates, falls into the lake of Persia. The Hebrews called this River Chidikill from Chadad, which fignifies acute, and Kalal, light, for it is a swift running streame: from hence the Græcians call it anna, the Latines, Celer; the Germans, Gin Zelter, which fignifies with vs, a horse swiftly running; for it passeth away swifter than an arrow out of a bow. Going towards the East, some 36 miles from the ancient Babylon, it runneth through a towne called Bagedeth, bordering vpon Turkie and Persia, and from thence towards the latitude, to a towne called Argentaratus, where it changeth the name to Tigris, in that place it runneth so extreme swift, that it will make a mans head dizzie

to looke vpon it.

Strabe saith, the River Euphrates riseth out of a mountaine in Armenia, called Nipha, some 300 miles from the Citie of Ierufalem towards the North, watering Mesopotamia and Chaldæa, and passing through the midst of that sourishing Citie Babylon, divides it into two parts; and after passing through, and fructifying Arabia, it joyneth with the Flood Tigris, and falls into the Persian gulfe. Semiramis Queene of the Assyrians and of Babylon, built a bridge ouer the narrowest place of this River, being some three quarters of a mile ouer. The Hebrewes call this River, Parab, because it fructifieth; and from thence the Grecians call it vier Or opper, to beare fruit; the Germans, fruchter, which in English is, fruitfull or pleasant: And therefore Saint Ambrose faith, it is derived from Euphranein, that is, from rejoycing; For that overflowing the Fields, it causeth them the next yeare to flourish with all kinde of fruit and pleasant floures. The water of this river is very foule and dirty, fo that it is vnfit to drinke: according to that of Ieremy, cap. 2. What availeth it thee to goe into Afgria, that thou mightest drinke of the water of Euphrates? If a man takes this water in a veffel, & let it fland but two houres, the dirt and fand will lie at the bottom therof two inches thicke. There-

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Therefore the inhabitants neere about it, are wont to take a great pot that holdeth a good quantity, whereinto putting water, they let it stand till all the filth be sunke to the bottome, and so they cleare water to drinke.

Nilus taketh the beginning from a certaine mountain in Mau. ritania the lower, not far from the Ocean, and issues from a Lake which they call Nidiles, and partly from other Lakes, and is increafed with the snow waters falling from the mountaines of the Moone in Affrica, 3200 miles from Ierusalem towards the South. Some thinke it tooke the name from Nileus a certaine King therabouts, Others, from the foile which it yerely brought downe in the streame, whereby all Ægypt is made fruitfull; from whence some thinke it was called Seruious Nilus, for that it bringeth downe new mud with it. The Hebrewes call it Gihon, because it breaketh out of the earth with great violence. This River comes through the defarts of Æthiopia, and fo with great violence comes into Ægypt, where it is divided into seven streames, and in times past had seuen gates, the names of which were, Canopicus, or Heraclioticus, Bolbitinus, Sebiniticus, Pharmiticus, Mendesius, Taniticus, and Palusinus. The two outward gates of which, viz. Canopicus, and Palusiacus, were 160 miles a funder. Appianus faith, There are two other gates called Tineptimicus, and Diolcus: This ninth gate is divided at a citie and place called Delta, taking the name from the likenesse that it hath to the Greeke letter so called. So that Nilus is divided into nine gates, by which nine gates it falls into the Mediterranean Sea. There are many that thinke, that Paradise was only in A. gypt, and that then it had onely but foure streams, and that at the Floud it was confused into nine, and they would seeme to prove their opinion out of the 31 chapter of Ezekiel, where hee calleth Egypt a garden of pleasure. But this differeth from the description of Moses, for it is not scituate in the East, but rather the South from Ierusalem, and farre distant from the two Easterne Rivers, Euphrates and Hiddikel, by which the holy Scriptures do principally denote Paradife. Wherefore it may be concluded, that Ægypt was onely a part of Paradife, not Paradife it felfe: And that this River was one of the Rivers, not all, the streames of

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which River at some times of the yeare, viz. in the Summer Solslice, when the Sunne is neere the Dogge-starre, begins to swell and overflow the bankes, by reason of the melting of the snow which lies vpon the mountaines of the Moone, and so drowne all the places neere vnto it, through the land of Ægypt, leauing behind it certaine slime and mudde, by which it comes to passe, that the Countrey is very fruitfull, and serues them in seed of raine, at which time of the yeare (for this happens once euery yeare) the people and inhabitants of the Countrey retire themselues to their Towns, Cities, and Castles, scituated voon Rocks, Mountains, and high grounds, from whence it hapneth, that they sustaine very little discommoditie or losse, by any such inundation. They also keepe little boates, whereby they passe from one place to another, because all their passages and foot paths are then drowned with waters. There are many pretty observations which the people of Ægypt were wont to take notice of in the rising of this water, for they had certain staues wherby they meafured the deapth of it, if it rose but to twelve cubits (which is fix yards in height, they then stood in feare of great famine, so also if it was but thirteene, for then the water was not deepe enough to make the ground fertill: but if it rose to sourteene or fifteene, then they were in great hope, and did not doubt of a fruitfull yeare: and if to fixteene, they then greatly rejoyced at their prosperity, and kept banquets and feasts, and were assured that the succeeding yeare would be very plentifull: but if it rose aboue, they laid afide all fignes of joy, and lived very sparingly, and with great forrow; this great inundation of waters foreshewing scarcitie, and want, and famine, and pestilence, and death. And thus Nilus yearely, enery yeare is to them in ftead of raine, for Ægypt is without raine.

In Autumne, at such time as the Sunne going out of the last face of Libra, entreth into Scorpio, the waters of Nilus by little and little retire themselves into their bankes, and the earth becomes quite vncouered of water: about which time, the Country being exceeding hot, the earth is presently made drie in all those places, so that in the moneth of October, they may both cill and fow their Land. In this river the Crocodile and the

Ichneumo breed, of the nature of which two, you may sufficient, ly reade in Gefner. There also breeds the Pellican, of which Saint Ierom faith, there are two kinds, one that lives vpon the water, an other that lives upon the land: these birds as some affirme, kill their young ones vpon their beake, and then leave them lying in their neast for three daies; at the end of which time, the female grieuously wounds her selfe vpon the breast, and pouring her bloud vpon her young ones, reviues them againe. This bird may very well be a type and figure of our bleffed Saujour, who shed ding his pretious bloud vpon the crosse for our sinnes, after the third day rose againe, and that he might restore vs to life that be dead in finne, poureth out his bloud vpon vs, whereby we are made capable of eternall life.

Of the place where Adam and Eua dwelt after the breaking of the commandement, Gen. z.

Dam and Ena, being driven out of Paradife, dwelt at Damas Cus, 160 miles from Ierusalem, as Munster and others write: the Townef-men of Damascus, at this day shew the place where Cain flew his brother Abel, and it is well to be beleeved that this Citie receiues her name thereby, for Damascus signifies bloud shedding or a place which hath drunke vp bloud.

Of the place where Cain dwelt.

Ain after he had slaine his brother Abel, dwelt in the land of Nod, a land of feare and disquiet, in the Towne of Hanoch, and as some thinke, it was the same place where Babylon (after Noes Floud) was built, being foure hundred and eightie miles from Ierusalem Eastward.

Of the place where Noah dwelt.

Noah fignifying quiet and rest, dwelt in Armenia, six hundred miles from Ierusalem Northward, hard by Mount Ararat, vpon which Mount, the Arke, (after the Floud) staied it selfe,

Gen. 8. Ptolomeus nameth These high Hills in Armenia Gordes. which are alwaies couered with fnow, and no man may get vpon them.

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CEm who in the holy Scriptures is called Melchisedeck, that is, a Dking of righteousnesse, dwelt in the Citie of Ierusalem, which as then was called Salem, that is, a Citie of peace.

Nimroth.

Mimroth was the first Prince and regent upon earth, and built Babylon, which is fix hundred and eighty miles from Ierusalem Eastward. Strabo writeth, That in Babylon there was an old foure square Tower built of bricke, foure hundred and sixteene ells high*, and each fide thereof foure hundred and fixteene ells * That is, 200 broad: This without doubt was a piece of the Tower of Ba- yards high; bylon, the toppe whereof should have reached up to Heauen. Gen. 22.

Babel or Babylon fignifieth a confusion, because in that place God confounded the workemens tongues, when they built the Tower of Babylon.

The Travels of Abraham.

Braham went out of his owne Countrey of Vhr in Chaldæa, to the Citie of Haran in Mesopotamia, which is 376 miles.

2 Erom Haran, by Gods commandement hee went to Si-

chem, which is foure hundred miles.

From Sichem he went to the Plaine and wood of Mamre. to the Hill betweene Bethel and Hay, which is 28 miles.

4 From thence he went into Ægypt, trauelling Southward 240 miles.

5 Out of Egypt he went againe into Canaan, to the hill that lyeth betweene Bethel and Hay, which is 240 miles, Gen. 13.

6 From

6 From thence hee went to the Plaine of Mamre neere He bron, 32 miles.

From the plaine of Mamre, hee went to Dan, which is 12 miles and there ouerthrew the foure Kings which had taken L prisoner, Gen. 14.

8 Then he pursued the enemie for the space of 80 miles to Hobam in Phoenicia, which lyeth in the left side of Damasco Gen. 14.

9 From Phoenicia, hee went to Sodom, where Melchisedel met him, which are 1 60 miles, Gen. 14.

10 From Sodom, he went backe again to the plaine of Man re, which are 40 miles.

11 From the Plaine of Mamre, he went to Gerer, which is side miles, where his sonne Isaac was borne, Gen. 20.21.

12 From Gerar, he went to Beersaba, which is 12 miles, when are made therein. he tooke an oath of King Abimilech.

12 From Beersaba, he went to mount Moriah, which is 40 miles, where he would have offered his sonne Isaac, Gen. 22.

which is 40 miles.

15 From Beersaba, he and his wife went to the plaine of were buried, Gen. 23. and 25.

So that all the Trauels of the Patriarch Abraham, were 179 miles.

Now followeth the description of the Townes and places.

He Towne of Vhr in Chald a, where Abraham was borne 1 atthisday is called Orchæ, (as Petrus Appianus writeth) and is distant from Ierusalem 624 miles Eastward. It seemeth, it el fill thy greedy throat. ther tooke that name from light or fire, or else from divine work ship, for there they vsed to offer many burnt offerings, but at that time they committed idolatry, for which cause Abraham went ans. from thence, perceiving that the Chaldeans tooke the fire for their god, because fire came downe from Heauen and consumed their offerings. Learned men therefore are of opinion, that the Chald ans in the town of Vhr, worshipped the fire for their god

Haran or Charan, that is, Wrath.

HAran is the chiefe city in Mesopotamia, where Abraham for a time dwelt with his father Thara. There the rich Roman Crassian with his army was ouerthrowne by the Parthians, and is distant from Ierusalem 440 miles North-Eastward, taking its name from the water Charan which runneth through it. But at this day the city is called Ophra, lying eleuen daies journy from Mossel or Nineuch, as D. Leonard Ronwolfe writeth, who in Anne 1575, vpon the thirtieth of Ianuary was in that towne. Ophra or Haran is a faire city well inhabited, and indifferent great, compassed about with walls and towers, richly surnished with merchandife, but especially with faire couerlets of divers colors, that

There is likewife great trade and trafique for diuers kindes of wares brought thither by Caravans, which are great numbers of camels, horses, & other beasts, that cary great burdens, with many From mount Moriah, hee returned agains to Beersaba men to conduct them, which traffique and trauell from one city to another.

This city in times past belonged to the Parthians, even then Mamre by Hebron, which is 16 miles, and there they died and when Crassius the rich Roman, fifty three years before the birth of Christ, robbed the temple of Ierusalem, and of those holy relicks bare away to the value of fix tuns of gold. For which God punished him openly; for vpon the fixt of Iune after, heewas by the Parthians ouerthrown hard by Haran in Mcsopotamia, and there taken and slaine. The Parthians pouring molten gold into his mouth, said, Drinke now thy fill (thou greedy Wretch) of that which thou so long hast thirsted after, for with this thou mayst

In this ouerthrow were saine thirty thousand Romans, and by that meanes the city of Haran returned againe vnder the Parthi-

After that, the Persians took it; but now it is vnder the Turk. In this city of Haran at this day there is to be seene a Well of very cleare water, at which Rebecca gaue drinke to Eleazer Abrahams servant, and to his Camels, Genes. 24.19. This Well by the 82

townsmen is called Abrahams wel: there also Rachel, Labans daughter, first spake with the holy Patriark Iacob, who turning the stone off from the VVel, gaue her sheep of the water to drinke.

This water hath a very pleasant taste, and is a notable Type of holy Baptisme; for like as the holy Fathers tooke their wives by this wel, so Christ receiveth his holy congregation by the Well of Baptisme, in his Word and holy Sacrament. This is the right Wel of Israel, which floweth into euerlasting life.

The city of Haran (now called Ophra) lieth from Nineueh 232 miles Westward.

Sichem, a Shoulder.

CIchem is a town in Samaria on the borders of Ephraim, lying on mount Garizim, 36 miles from Ierusalem Northward. lt takes the name (as Phil. Melanethan writeth) from the place wheron it standeth.like a shoulder; for Sichem signifies a shoulder.

Of this town I will speak more at large in the new Testament. for that by it Christ spake with the Samaritan woman, Ioh. 4.

In this town Dina Lacobs daughter was rauished. Gen. 34. and there the bones of the Patriarch loseph were buried, los.24.

Abimelech for spight & vpon no occasion veterly destroied the town, and having razed it to the ground, fowed it with salt, Iude.9 But Ieroboam King of Ierusalem built it vp again and dwelt ther. in, 1 Kin. 12.

It was a free town, whither a man-flayer might refort that had killed any man by chance, and faue himfelfe, 10f.20.

Mount Garizim, wheron the town of Sichem stood, was a piece of mount Ephraim.

Tanis, in Hebrew Zoan, an Inne or house of Harbor.

Anis or Zoan was the chiefe city in Egypt, where Pharach in Abrahams time kept his court, as we reade in the thirteenth Chapter and fourth book of Moles, and Plat. 58. and Iyeth 272, miles from Ierusalem Southeastward: four miles from Tans stood the kingly towne of Memphis, which was likewise built before

before Abrahams time; but at that time it was not so famous as Tanis, for there is not one word spoken of Memphis in the books of Moses. But when time serues I will speake more of these two places.

of the Mount between Bethel and Hay.

His hil is 4 miles from Icrusalem vpon the North, lying be-L tween the 2 towns of Bethel & Hay, and is called mount E. phraim: wher Abraham at his return out of Egipt the second time fet vp his Tabernacle, of purpose to be conversant with Melchisedeck who dwelt in Ierusalem; and with him gaue thanks to God for the fingular fauors that he had shewed toward him, in deliuering his wife Sara from the hands of Abimelech King of Egypt, who would hauerauished her, & as he feared, indangered his life. In this place Lot separated himselfe from Abraham, and went to dwell in Sodom.

Of the Plaine or Oke of Mamre.

He Plain of Mamre stood a mile from Hebron towards the L East, and distant from Ierusalem 22 miles South-eastward. In this yally there was a faire and pleasant wood, where a certain yong man called Mamre dwelt. This man was brother to Escal and Aner, mentioned by Moses, Genes. 14. who according to the custome of gentlemen with vs in these times, built vp his house neere to a pleasant Wood or bottome, which as some thinke was called after his name Mamre. Others, (of which opinion is Ierom) of Ælon, which fignifies a valley or tree (an Oke tree, faith hee.) But Iofeph & Agesippus call it a Terebinth tree, which both summer and winter beateth greene leaues like a Palme tree, the sap or juice whereof is very good for medicine. Abraham dwelling neere to this tree, beeing entertained by the three Brothers as a stranger, grew into such fauour and familiaritie with them, that hee converted them from Paganisme, and taught them to know the true and euer-liuing God. To gratifie which great fauor, they aided him in his Warre against the soure Kings that had taken

Lot prisoner, and gaue him free libertie to inhabit in, and vse the Plain thereabouts for his cattel: before whose dore (as some Authors affirm) this Terebinth or oke tree stood, and so continued from the beginning of the world, till the time of Constantine the Great, it being lawfull for none to cut a bough of it, or touch it with a hatchet, because it was in those daies accounted a holy tree, and visited by divers strangers: and then Helena caused a fair church to be built in that place; and so much the rather, for that Abraham sitting under that tree, the three Angels appeared unto him in the similitude or likenesse of men, Gen. 8. 1,2. And some are of opinion, That because of this, the Iewes offered Incense to their gods, and committed idolatry vpon high mountaines and under green trees, Ezek. 16. There was also a double Caue made of white marble, which as Iosephus saith, was very faire and beaurifull to the eye, and curioufly wrought and polished; wherein Abraham, Isaac, and Iacob, with their Wives Sarah, Rebecca, and Leah were buried: and as fome thinke was that caue which he purchafed of the Hittites, Gen. 23.34. But that Adam and Evah lie bu. ried in the same place, seeing there is no warrant for it in the holy Scriptures, I let it passe; because what soeuer hath not authoritie of Scripture to proue it, may as easily be contemned as allowed. But Abrahams lepulchre in Ieroms time was to be seen, being old and decayed.

Of Hebron.

His City was not onely a Kings Scat, but a Priests also, being built not long after the Floud, and some seuen years beforethat City of the Egyptians called Zoan or Tanis, Numb. 13. and was placed vpon a goodly high mountaine very pleafant and delectable. It taketh the name from Chabar, which fignifieth to accompany; and from thence, Chebron, or Hebron, A pleasant and delectable fociety. It was a metropolitan city in the tribe of Iuda, and after called Kiriatharba, as it appeareth in Ioshuah, 14. taking that name from Arba the chiefe Gouernour of that Citie. This man was one of the Anakims, and a very mighty Prince.

Others there are that fay, the city being divided into foure parts was thereof called manner: for Arba fignifies a quaternion, from the Rote Raba foure square. It was first built by Heth, the sonne of that curfed Canaan, whose posterity (the Hittites) inhabited in it: and fuch was their hospitalitie, that they entertained Abraham. being a stranger and traueller. These people dwelt * there untill * Here also Ioshuahs time; and then one Hoham was King thereof, who with other Kings opposing the Children of Israell, was by them slain, Thalmas the and had their country wasted and destroyed. This town was after fons of Anake made a towne of refuge, and belonged to the inheritance of Caleb. and was together with Mamre in the tribe of Iuda, Iof. 20. Heere David was first anointed King, and reigned therein for the space of 7 yeares, 2 Sam. 5. But this town by the iniury of time and oppression of the enemy is now become desolate, only some few old reliques are to be seen, to shew there had bin a town there. Neuerthelesse there is a town not far from it which retaineth the name. placed in a very fruitfull valley called Mamre to this day. Heere while it was under the jurisdiction of the Christians, stood a Cathedral church, and a Bishops See; but the Turks have turned it into a Mosko, or one of their churches. Into this place they wil not suffer any Christian to enter. The inhabitants take vpon them to shew vnto strangers many things, as the vault or caue wherein Abraham was buried, the place where Cain killed Abel, the Well where Adam and Evawept seuen years for the death of their son; with many fuch like fables which are to no purpose, seeing they are not warrantable by Scripture.

Some bows shoot Eastward from this place is the field of Damascus, where the red earth lieth whereof they seigne man to be made. It is naturally tough, & may be wrought like wax or pitch. There is also that is white of the same kind, and this is conueyed tomany places by the Saracens, and fold at deare rates. They vie it either for the teering of Sepulchres, or to mingle with falves

and vnguents.

of Gerar.

Terar is the ettermost towne in the land of Canaan, and lieth between the defarts of Sur and Cades, Gen. 20. Here King Abimelech kept his court at such time as Abraham came thither: & here Isaac was born, Gen. 21. It takes the name from Gor, which fignifies a Pilgrim or Traueller, and did well agree with the condition of the antient patriarchs that somtime lived there, because for the most part they were like Pilgrimes and wayfaring men, Gen. 47. It lay fix miles from Hebron Southwest, and from Ierufalem 30, vpon the territories of the tribe of Iuda.

of Beerazaba.

BEerazaba is a towne scituated vpon the vtmost bounds of the Holy land, forty miles from Ierusalem Southwestward, and is derived from Berr and Shebuah, and fignifieth the Wel of covenant: for Abraham having digged a Wel neere to this place, Abimelech King of Gerar entred into league with him, and his posteritie Isaac also renued this league in this place, as appears, Gen. 21. It is now called Gallim or Giblin by the Iewes. In S. Hieromes time it was a great towne.

of Moriah.

7 Pon this Mount Abraham would have offered his son Isaac. and flood not far from Salem or mount Sion, where Melchifedech dwelt. They were so neere, that Melchisedech upon the tower of Sion might easily see the Angell that spake with Abraham. when he renewed the couenant with him concerning his feed and posteritie: and is derived from Mor or Marar, which signifies bitter Myrrh, because, as Gregorius saith, the Church is euer subied to affliction, For all they that will serve God and live religiously must suffer persecution, Mat, 16.2 Tim, 2, and last, which signifies to feare.

How Abraham may be typically apprehended.

Braham signifies The father of a multitude, from Ab, pater, a Father, Ram; exceller, Mighty; and Hamon, multitudinis, Of a multitude. Not in regard of the Iewes only, but all those that in fucceeding times shall be ingraffed into the Church, and partake of enerlasting life through the mediation of Christ lesus the promised seed, Gal. 3. Ephes. 1. Acts 3. and is a Type and sigure of God the Father; for as that Abraham was the father of many, yet had but only one fon; so although God be the father of all nations, yet had but one only son, Iesus Christ, begotten of his owne essence from before the beginning of the world. And as Abraham fo loued God, that for his fake he would not have spared his only fon; fo God so loued Abraham and the World, that hee gaue his only begotten fon to die for the faluation of their foules.

The Trauels of Lot.

Os trauelled with Abraham from Vr in Chaldæa, to Haran in Mesopotamia, which is 336 miles, Gen. 12.

2 From Haran they translled to Sichem in the land of Canaan being 400 miles.

3' From Sichem they trauelled through Mora, to the hil lying between Bethel and Hay, which is 24 miles.

4. From the hill between Betheland Hay, they went into Egypt, which is 240 miles, Gen. 13.

From Egypt they went into the land of Canaan, to the hili lying between Bethel and Hay, where Abraham had dwelt before, which is 240 miles, Gen. 13.

6 From the hil between Bethel and Hay Lot separated himielse from Abraham, and went to the towne of Sodom Eastward, which is 28 miles, Gen. 13.

7 In the town of Sodom Lot was taken prisoner, hee and all his houshold, and led away to the town of Dan, which is 32 miles Gen. 14. F 4

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8 And when Abraham had deliuered him out of the hands of his enemies, & pursued them, he returned with him from Dan to Hobam in Phoenicia, lying on the left side of Damascus, being 80 miles.

9 From Phœnicia Abraham came again with Let to Sodom,

which is 160 miles.

to Lastly, when the Lord had determined to raine fire and brimstone on Sodom, Lot according to his commandement went thence to Zoar a little town neere adioyning, where being drunk with Wine hee committed incest with both his daughters; but after comming to the knowledge of his offence, he was so fore afflicted in his conscience, that with extreme grief he died. Luther saith that Abraham tooke him to Hebron with him to comfort him, and that there he died. Hebron is 36 miles from Sodom.

Soall the trauels of the Patriarch Let were 1652 miles.

The Description of the Townes and places where he trauelled. And first of Sodom.

He cities that were destroyed with fire and brimstone from heaven were foure in number, that is, Sodom, Gomorah Adama, and Zeboim, lying 24 miles from Ierusalem South-east. ward, where now the dead fearuns. The fift was the city Bela, called also Zoar, which was spared for Lots sake, & distant from Sodom two miles. This, Let accounted but a little City; but there are that fay it was a very spatious and princely place, neere to which his wife for her disobedience was turned into a pillar of falt, and not far off he committed incest with his two daughters. And although Luther be of opinion, that that also within a while after was burnt, yet this cannot bee certainly produed, especially because it remaineth even to this day, scituated both in the antient place, and called by the antient name; vnleffe fome new City hath beene lately built in the same place, and is now called after that name, which I cannot thinke to be true. Sodamah signifieth a Mysterie; Gomorah, a Faggot of Thornes; Adamah, Red earth; Zeboim, Fertile and Pleasant; Zoar, The burning of Bæla; for

in antient times it was called B. ala. It is the received opinion, that the country wherein these five rich and opulent cities stood was called *Pentapolis*.

Of the Lake or dead Sea, called Asphaltides.

TN the very same place where these Cities were burnt and de-I stroyed, there is at this day to be seene a Lake about 36 miles long, and in some places fix, in others eight and 12 miles ouer. It boileth with pitch and brimstone, and in some places passeth by the name of the falt sea, and in others, the dead sea, because of the noisome and venomous aire that riseth out of it, in somuch as the very birds that fly ouer it fall down dead, and if a beast doe but drink of it mixt with water, it makes him incurably fick. It is of a wonderfull nature, for what soeuer heavy thing you fling into it will not finke, but fwim vpon the top, be it either iron, lead, copper, or any other weighty matter. Of which Vespasian the emperor having notice, to make experience of what he had heard, made a journy of purpose to see it, and with him tooke certain condemned men who for their offences had deferued death; these he manacled, and where he thought it to be deepest caused them to bee thrown in; but they rose vp againe with such violence as if some florm or tempest had fent them vp. The water thereof changeth three times a day, and shineth against the sun with divers colors, casting out fire and great cakes of pitch much resembling Bulls without heads, and of that quantity. This pitch is good for divers things, as to calk thips, to lay upon cables, and to vie in medicins; wherefore such as come to this sea and know the nature of it have certain Skifs and instruments wherewith they draw these cakes of pitch to their ships, to which it cleaueth so fast, it being naturally tough, that being brought to land they cannot get it off again but by the help of vrine. Vpon the banks thereof grow trees that beare fruit of divers kinds, as apples and fuch like; which are faireand pleasant to the eie, but if you either touch or open them you shall finde nothing but dust. Britten-

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Brittenbacchus saith, In this place the Serpent Tyrus (whereof they vse to make treacle) is found. It is a little serpent about half a cubit long, and a singer thick, being of divers colours, and is so venomous, that where it biteth there is no remedy, vnlesse by cutting off the member. The head of it is rough and hairy, and there seemeth to lie vpon the tongue of it, if it be angry, a stery slame. The same Author saith, That a little from Zoar, betweene this Lake and the mountaines of Engedi, the pillar whereinto Loss wisewas turned, is yet to be seen shining like sait. The surthess part of this sea Northward lies 14 miles from Ierusalem: toward the East the river Iordan runneth into it.

The trauel of the two Angels that led Lot out of Sodom.

Hese two Angels having spoken with Abraham in the valley of Mamre neere Hebron, forthwith went to Sodom some 40 miles distant from that place, where Lot having entertained them into his house, by their helpewas delivered, together with his wise and two daughters, from that miserable desolation of the Sodomits.

of Lots two Daughters. Ot escaping this desolation, and seeing a president of Gods iudgement fallen voon his wife for her disobedience, searing that he should not continue safe in Zoar, left that & turned aside into the wildernesse, and continued there among the mountains, although the Lord had promifed him fafety in this town; where fore continuing in a Caue in the Wildernesse, the eldest of his daughters losing her husband in this deseastion, supposing that all men had beene destroyed from off the earth, counselled her fister to commit incest with her father. Let being now oppressed with care, by reason of the former calamities, gaue himself at the inticement of his daughters, to drinke Wine, in somuch as with the excesse he became drunke : at which time not being himselse he begat by his two daughters two fonnes: the eldest had a fonne whom shee called Moab, which signifies The begotten of his Father; whereby the impudencie of this woman is laid open to the World, in that the was not ashamed of her sinne. Of him came

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the Moabites, and dwelt vpon the North side of the lake Asphaltides, some 32 miles from Ierusalem. The yongest daughter had a son, which she called Ben. ammy, that is, The son of my people; for although shebare him with great shame, yet she dwelt among the people of God. Of him came the Ammonites that dwelt beyond mount Gilead, threescore miles from Ierusalem Northeastward.

Of the foure Kings that tooke LOT prisoner.

The first of them was called Amraphel King of Shinear or Babylon, the son of Ninus and Semiramis, as some thinke, and is called somtime by the name of Berosus, sometime Ninus. He kept his court at Babylon in Chaldea, which is 680 miles from Ierusalem Eastward. This Ninus is called Amraphel, because of the notable victories that he won, and the number of countries and prouinces he conquered.

The fecond was Arioch or Arioch his fonne. He was thus called because of his courage and crueltie in war; for Arioch fignishes A mighty roaring Lion; Arioc, Mars. This man during the life of his father was created king of Lassir, that is, Assiria, for so it is called in the Chald an tongue; the chiefe city whereof is Nineueh, and lies from Ierusalem Northeastward six hundred eighty source miles.

The third was Keder laomer King of the Elamites in Persia, 1200 miles from Ierusalem toward the East. This Prince had a great command in that country. Keder signifies an Ornament or Crowne; Laomer, Well deserving.

The fourth was *Thideall* King of the Nations. Hee kept his court in Damascus, the Metropolis of Assyria, some 160 miles from Ierusalem Northward. *Thideal* signifieth An exalted Lord; of Alah, that is, To be listed vp.

These source kings were consederats, and bent their expedition principally against Astaroth and Kiriathaim, which they tooke, and spoyled all the Countrey round about with fire and sword: and their Armies being retyred from the spoyle, met in the vally of Siddim (where now the dead Sea runneth) and there pitched

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their tents. In this place after a cruel and sharp war, they conque. red the fine Kings of that beautifull and pleasant soile of Pen. tapolis, (for fo it was called because of those fine cities that were in it) where among others they tooke Lot captine with all his fub. stance.

of Astoroth.

Storoth seemes to be the city of Venus, because the citisens thereof worthipped her: for Afteroth is a goddeffe of the Sidonians, and is compounded of Alb, which fignifies a company of stars, and Tor, placed in order. The Syrians call Venus Ashtoroth. This towne lay in the land of Gilead, and belonged to the halfe tribe of Manasse beyond Iordan, 6 miles from Ierusalem North. Eastward. In this city the foure Kings of the East conquered the gyants of Karnaim, that were mighty princes and commanders there, when they made war against that and Kiriathaim. Not fat from hence also in the land of Ham there dwelt certaine Gyants called Zusim, of Zus and Hamab, which signifies to stir vp commotion. These were very great strong and stately people, and had the command of all the Countries thereabouts, which they held in great feare, and were conquered by the foure Kings.

Of Kiriathaim.

Iriathaim was a City in the tribe of Reubin beyond Iorden, 10/.13. 22 miles from Ierusalem toward the East, and so called because it was divided into many parts and divisions. The heathens corruptly cal it Carthage. The Hebrews derive it from Kiriath, which signifies a city, and Emah, Terror. Here dwelt the Emims, a graue and fearfull people; for so their name fignifies.

Of Hazezon Thamar.

His Citie tooke the name from a Palme tree, or a Palme I banke. Of this kinde of wood the Israelites made their arrowes, and therefore deriue it from Charar, which fignifieth to shoot; and Thamar, a Palme Tree. This City standeth vponthe banke of the dead sea, twenty miles from Ierusalem North-East,

voon a very fruitfull soile, where was found plenty of Palm trees and pretious balfam: and by fome called Engedi, or the Lambes Well: being derived from Ein and Gedi, which fignifieth Fontem haduli last antis, that is, The Wel of a sucking lambe or goat. Not far from hence stood the Caue where David cut off the outward lap of King Sauls garment, 1 Sam. 24.

Of the plentifull valley Siddim.

His valley stood there where now the dead sea runneth, and 1 took that name from the fertilitie of the foile, and feems to have some affinity with the Hebrew word Sadel, which fignifies a field, partly arable, partly pasture and medow, furnished with trees, herbs, and orchards. In this place stood divers Wels of Bitume, from whence the inhabitants fetcht cament to build their houses with; but after for their wickednes (which was so great, as it appeareth in Gen. 18. that the crythereof ascended into beauen) the Lord did grieuously punish them, first with war, by which the inhabitants were destroied : and after that, with fire and brimstone from heaven; fo that (as is aforefaid) this goodly vally is nothing buta stinking lake.

The Trauels of the Egyptian maid Hagar.

Fter Sara had preferred Hagar to that high grace as to make A her equal with her felfe, thee growing proud thereof, contemned her Mistresse, and in recompence of that fauour carried her felfe very prefumptuously towards her; which Sarah seeking to restraine, offered to her sonne hard measure; which Abraham (vpon her complaint) winked at: Whereupon Hagar, partly opprestwith griefe, partly with enuy, privily stole away from her mistresse, and went from the valley of Mamre neer Hebron, to the Well of life fixteene miles Southward, Genesis 16. and it is to be thought that her journey tended towards Egypt, which was her natiue countrey. For this Well lay directly in the way as they went downe into Egypt. This flight of Hagar without doubt did greatly trouble Abrahams house, and put him and his wife into a great great forrow and feare, left the should destroy her self and the intant, or fall into some other danger. Wherefore that God might make euident the exceeding care he had of them, he sent an angel vnto Hagar, and willed her to returne vnto her master: which Angel some think was the son of God, for he was called by the name of Iehovah, Gen. 16. which name was not communicated to any created Angell. Whereupon Hagar, according to his commadement, went backe againe to her mistresse Sarah into the valley of Mamre, 16 miles, Gen. 16.

From Hebron Hagar went with her mistresse to that kingly ci-

ty Gerar, 6 miles, Gen. 20.

At Gerar she and her sonne Ismael were put out of her mastern house, and going in the way that leadeth into Egypt, they lost themselves in the wildernes of Beersaba, after they had travelled 12 miles from Gerar where opprest with want both of water and other necessaries, she feinted and her son also; wherefore she lay him under a tree, and about a bowes shoot off sate down and wept, expecting nothing but death. As shee was in this miserie, God heard the voice of the childe, and sent an Angell unto her saying, Fearenot, for I will make of thy childe a great Nation. And God opened her eies, and lo, close by her there was a Well, so she went and filled her both the sand gave her boy drinke. At this time Ismael was 15 yeres of age, So God blessed the child, and he became an Archer, and lived in the wildernesse.

From thence she and her son went into the wildernes of Pharan, 80 miles, where Ismael maried an Egyptian, Gen. 21. Soall the trauels of Hagar the Egyptian maid were 132 miles.

Of the Fountaine of Hagar, which is also called the Well of Life.

This Wel lieth betweene Bared and Kades-Bernea, to milet from Ierusalem towards the South. Some call it the Well of the Liuing and Seeing, because God did there look mercifully vpon Hagar when shee shed from her mistresse. Here Isaac dwelt and had his two sonnes Esau and Iacob, Genesses 26. Afterwards it was called the Well of the liuing God, and seemeth my sically

to represent Baptisme, the lavor of grace and regeneration by the operation and special working of the Spirit: for the Church (like Hagar with her fon Ismael) travelling through the wildernesse of this world, is prest with a multitude of sins; and seeing her owne miserie, finds no remedie but by faith in Christ Iesus, to be deliuered from so heavy a burthen: wherefore they ioyning together in praier, craue the mercifull audience and gratious affiftance of God, That it would pleafe him of his goodnesse to refresh them with the water of life, the doctrine of grace, that so they may bee made capable of eternal glory. For Hagar fignifies a Pilgrim, and Ismael, a godly and good man whom the Lord heareth: Who trauelling together with his mother the Church in this world, fighteth against the enemies thereof and shooteth the arrows of faith against all infernal and cruell beasts. For Schamah signifies, Hee hath heard; and El, The almighty God, who mercifully heareth the feruent prayers and petitions of the Iust; according to that of S. Iames, cap. 5.15.

Ismael was born An. mundi 2035. Abraham being then 86 years of age. He was circumcifed at 13, he went from his father at 15; hewas at Abrahams funeral being 89 yeares of age: he died when hewas 137 yeares of age, fifty yeares after the death of Abraham, and left behinde him twelue fonnes as Iacob did, which were the Princes of their families, as was his. Of which the Apostle Paul hath an excellent Allegorie; Abraham had two sons, one by the bond-woman, another by the free-woman: he that was of the bond woman was according to the flesh, but he that was of the free woman was by promise. By which things another thing is meant; for the one, which is Agar of mount Sinai, gendereth vnto bondage: for Agar or Sinai is a mountaine in Arabia, and answereth to lerusalem that now is; and shee is in bondage with her Children: but lerusalem which is aboue is free, for it is written, Resoyce thou Barren, &c. Wherefore we are no more of the bond woman (which is the Law) but of the Free, not by our owne works or righteousnesse, but by fairh in Christ, who maketh vs heirs of

that heavenly Ierusalem.

Where Ishmael dwelt.

DArana city of Arabia the Stony, flood 104 miles from Ieru falem Southward, and taketh the name from fertilitie; for Pn. rab with the Hebrews signifies a fruitfull root. From this Metro. politan towne, the defart of Arabia the stony neere Cades taketh name: of which mention is made, Num. 13 6 14. Deut. 1. Gen. 14. 21. Abac. 3. and is called the defart of Pharan. Here Ishmael that excellent Archer and hunter dwelt, after with great power and strength he had conquered all the neighboring princes and people thereabout. His posteritie also inhabited these parts, and as ter his name were called Ismaelites, some eighty miles from Ie. rusalem toward the South. These people were excellent soldiers, and of noble courage; their principal delight was shooting, and therein they exceeded others; living for the most part by hunting and pillage, and so they continue to this day. The Saracens who likewise had their abiding in those parts were derived from that family, though they had rather take their name from Sara and from thence Saracens: These are of the opinion of the Turks,

The Tranels of Eleazer the servant of Abraham.

Ffter Eleazer had sworne to his master to take a wife for his fon Isaac of the generation of his fathers, he went from the valley of Mamre neere Hebron, to Haran a City of Meso potamia, 468 miles off, and there made a Contract with Rebecca the daughter of Bethuel, and fifter of Laban, whom he tooke along with him and returned to his master. So that his journey to and againe was 944 miles. These things hapned in the yeare of the world 2089, and before Christ 1879, Isaac then being forty yeres of age.

This Eleazer was Steward of Abrahams house, and borne at Damascus the chiefe City of Syria. Hee was so called, because God was his helpe: Eleazer being a compound word of El and

Bzar, which fignifies Almighty God the helper. From whence we may perceive that God is the keeper of the poore, and a ready helper in time of tribulation; according to that in the Psalmes, All they that know thee trust in thee because thou, O Lord, he arest their prayers, and bringest them out of trouble.

The Trauels of the Patriarch Isaac.

Researcha, as it should seeme, tooke her name from the expectation of Eternall life: for Rebechan in Hebrew doth denote such a woman, which expecteth a free deliuerie from all calamitie, and an inheritance of eternall life. Therefore Rebeccha is a notable type of the Church of God, which is the Spouse of Christ, shadowed in Isaac; as shall hereafter be more plainely manifested.

The Tranels of the Patriarch Isaac.



Saac being young, went with his father Abraham from Berzeba to mount Moriah, where his father would have offered him vnto God, as the Lord commanded him, which is fortic miles, Genf. 22.

2 From thence with his father hee returned

againe to Berzeba, which is forty miles.

3 From Berzeba he trauelled with his father to Hebron, by the plaine of Mamre, which is 16 miles.

4 From the plaine of Mamre Isaac trauelled Southward, to the fountain of life, which is 16 miles, & there he dwelt, Gen. 24.

5 From thence he returned backe again to his fathers burial, who was laid in that double caue in Mamre, which is 16 miles.

6 From thence he returned backe agains to the Well of life,

where he dwelt; 16 miles.

7 From the Fountaine of life, hee went to Gerar, which is 8 miles; where Abimelech seeing the beauty of his wife Rebeecha, would have ravish ther, and for feare she told him that she was his fifter, Gen. 26.

8 From Gerar Isaac went Westward to the valley of Gerar which is 8 miles, and there he caused the Well to be digged vp

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againe, which the inhabitants had stopped vp, Gen. 26.

9 From thence he went to Beersaba, which is foure miles: where the same night the Lord appeared vnto him, and said, I am the God of thy father Abraham, feare not, for I am with thee and will blesse and multiply thy seed for my sernant Abrahams sake, Gen. 26.

10 From Beerlabahe returned againe to Hebron by the plain of Mamre, which is 16 miles: here Abraham, Sarah, and Rebeccha, died, and were buried, Gen. 35. So all the trauels of the Patriarch Isaac were one hundred forty eight miles.

The typicall fignification of Isaac.

He name of Isaac is derived from laughter: for Zakah in Hebrew is as much as quod rifit is in Latine, which fignifieth that he laughed; and from hence Zechock signifies a Laughter, and Isaac, mirth, or one that reioyceth with mirth. This name was giuen to him by God before his natiuitie, Gen. 17. 18. There were feuen that were named by God before their nativitie, viz. I himael Gen. 16. Isaac, Gen. 17. Cores or Cyrus King of the Persians, Esa 44. Sampson, Judg . 1 3. Iosia King of Iuda, I. Kings 13. Iohn Baptist, and Iesus Christ the sonne of God, Luke 1. of whom Isaac was a notable type. For Christ is our true rejoicing, the laughter, mirth, and delight of the whole Church of God. Abraham vpon the day of the nativitie of Isaac made a great feast, to which, no doubt, he called many godly men, and perhaps some of the Patriarchs: for there was then living Saraq, Arphaxad, Salah, Heber, Thamar, and Sem, the sonne of Neah, who also had a certaine knowledge of Gods promise to Abraham, and that of the seed of Isaac should come the Saujour of the world.

And as Abraham when hee would have offered his sonne vnto the Lord, carried the fire and the fword; but Isaac the wood vp on which he should be slaine and burned (O miserable sight, especially to a father, to fee his onely some and heire, which was mi raculously begotten, even then when he was without hope of it fue, burnt to ashes before his face? this was on mount Moriah alittle from Salem or Ierusalem) euen so our Saujour Christ, for the finnes that man commits and carries about him, bore vpon his shoulders the woodden crosse whereupon he was offered as

acceptable facrifice to his father, that so by his mediation and satisfaction we might receive pardon for them: And this was likewise done voon mount Caluarie, a little from Ierusalem, And as the Lord provided another facrifice for Abraham, that so hee might faue his fonne, which was, a Ramme tied and intangled in thornes: so God prouided a facrifice for the faluation of the world euen Iesus Christ our mediatour, who is that immaculate and pretious Lambe of God; whose head being crowned with thornes, and hanging upon the crosse, by his precious death opened vnto vs the doore of eternall life, and made vs capable of euerlasting happinesse, John 19. 1 Peter 1. Such was the loue of Abraham, a father vnto God; such the love of God, a father vnto man: that they spared not their only sonnes, the one typically to represent the other. The other, that is, the only begotten sonne of God, to dye effectually for Abraham, Isaac, and all mankinde, Ioh. 3. Gen. 22.

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The Tranels of the Patriarch Iacob.



Rom Beersaba Iacob went to Bethel, which is 48 miles and there hee saw a Ladder that reached downe from heauen, whereby the Angels ascended and descended Genes. 28. Genef.28.

2 From Bethel he went to Haran in Mesopotamia, which is 432 miles; where he married Leah and Raehel, Gen. 28.

3 From Haran in Mesopotamia hee went to mount Gilead, which is 380 miles: and when Laban pursued him (at the commandement of the Lord) he made a league with him, Gen. 31.

4 From mount Gilead hee went to Mahanaim, which is 16 miles, and there he met with the Angels of God, Gen. 31.

From Mahanaim he passed the water and went to Penuel, which is foure miles, and there wrestled with the Angel of God, Gen.32.

6 From Penuel hee went to Succoth, where hee pitched his Tents, 2 miles, Gen. 33.

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7 From Succoth hee passed the river of Iordan, and went to Sichem, not far from Salem (about eight miles) where his daugh. ter Dinah was rauished, Gen. 3 3.

8 From thence he went to Bethel, which is eight and twen-

ty miles, Gen. 21.

9 From Bethel he went to Bethlehem Euphrata, which is twelve miles; in which way Rachel died, and was buried not farre from Bethlehem; then lacob went forward, and fet vp his Tents neere to the Tower of Eder, a mile from Bethlehem towards the South, Gen. 25.

10 From Bethlehem Euphrata and the Tower of Eder, he returned agains to the valley of Mamre neere Hebron, to his father Isaac, which is 20 miles, Gen. 35.

11 From Hebron hee went to Beerfaba, which is 16 miles,

Gen. 38.

From Beersaba, he went to the Towne of Ony a little off Egypt in the land of Gossen, which is 168 miles, where loseph his sonne gaue him honourable entertainement, Gen. 46.

This was The Ægypt,

13 From Ony he went to the citie * Zoan, which is also called chiefe Citie of Tanis, 28 miles, where he was presented to K. Pharaoh, Gen. 47.

> 14 From Tanis he returned to Ony, which is 28 miles, and there he dwelt and dyed in the land of Gossen, Gen. 49.

> > The Description of the Townes and places to which Iacob trauelled.

> > > of Bethel.

DEthel was a Towne in the Tribe of Benjamin, eight miles from Ierusalem toward the North, and signifies The house of God. In times past it was called Luz: but Facob seeing in that place the vision of the Ladder, with the Angells ascending and descending upon it, and because there the Lord renued the coucnant with him concerning his feed, and the comming of Christ; he therefore called it Bethel.

Afterward, Ieroboam having vnlawfully vsurpt the kingdome of Rehoboham, caused a calse to be set up there: for which cause it was then called Bethauen, which signifieth the bouje of

sinne and abhominable offence. Vatablus is of opinion, that there are two Bethels, one in the tribe of Benjamin, the other in the tribe of Ephraim both not far from Hay: but if this should be granted. then these two townes should stand within two miles one of the other, which seemeth very absurd; therefore I dare boldly affirme, that there was but one Bethel, which stood upon the borders of Benjamin and Ephraim, both tribes bordering upon the South fide of the towne of Luz tolk 76.6 18.

This towne of Bethel was at first in the Suburbs of Lue, vntill the division of the tribes, for then both these Tribes of Ephraim and Benjamin, ending in that place, so much increased this town, that they became both one city, and fo were called Bethel, 10,28.

6 35.10fb.7.6 18.

From hence there is a two-fold mistery to be apprehended: the first, of Iacob, whose sleeping in this place upon a stone, caused this Citie or Towne to be built, and to retaine the name of Bethel, that is, The house of God. So who so ever seekes to have eternall life, must rest upon that corner stone Christ Iesus, the sonne of the euerliuing God, and by faith bee incorporated into the Church, which is the house of God, of which Christ (the Annointed of the Lord) is both King and Priest for ever. Secondly, as Iacob resting upon this corner stone, saw the Angels ascending and descending from heaven vnto earth; so by this incorporation into the body of the Church (of which Christ is the head) by Faith and Baptisme, our soules are made capable to ascend into that heavenly Tabernacle, which he hath prepared for all those that believe: according to that in John 14. I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man commeth unto the father but by me only. And wholoeuer is assured of this ladder (that reacheth from heauen vnto earth) may well say with Iacob, surely the Lord Iesus Christ is in this place; here is nothing but the house of God, and here is the gate of heaven; as Christ himselfe testifieth in the tenth of Iohn, I am the doore, and who seeser entreth not by me, &c. So that Christ is the head of his Church, the ladder that ascendeth into heaven, and the doore whereby we may enter into eternall life.

Of Gilead.

His land of Gilead was a country that lay betweene Iordan and the mountaine of Gilead, or rather betweene the fea of Galilee and the mount Gilead, fixtie miles from Ierusalem to. wards the Southeast: for the mountaines of Gilead, beginning at mount Gilead, extended thence wato Arabia the stony, and seperated the countrey of Ifrael beyond Iordan from the countrey of the Amonites. But that part which lyeth betweene the Sea of Galilee and Ammon, is properly called Gilead; for when Iacob and Laban made a conenant either with other, in the mount Gile. ad, they gathered a heape of stones, and making a banquet eat to. gether vpon it, Gen. 13, and from thence, that mountain and all the countrey thereabouts tooke the name, For Laban in the Syrian tongue is called IEGAR SAHADYTA, the heap of covenant. But Iacob in the Hebrew language called that mountain together with all the Countrie thereabouts, Galeed or Galaad the heape of testimonie: for Gal fignifieth a heape or grane, and Galal, He rolled, or hee thrust into a round heape. From whence the Greeke word wave, to roule, and when a circle, is derived: Also Edah signifies testomonie with the Hebrewes, being derived from Id which fignifies tella: tus est, that is, he beareth witnesse; and from hence wou among it the Grecians is deriued, which fignifieth, awitneffe. This land of Gilead was very fertile and pleasant, being adorned with many Ca. files and strong Cities: And in this countrey the Prophet Eliah was taken vo into heauen in a fierie Chariot, 1 Reg. 17.2 Reg. 2. The Gracians call this, Decapolin, from ten cities that are firongly built in that countrey, Marc. 7.

Of Machanaim.

Achanaim was a Citie of the Leuites in the Tribe of Gad, neere to the floud of Iordan and Iaboch, fortie foure miles from Ierusalem toward the Southeast, and scituate in the land of Gilead beyond Iordan; being so called of the Patriarch Iacob, because there he saw the Tents and Armie of Angels, which he vnderstood to be his assistants against his brother Esau, whom hee seared, Genesis 31. For Chana signifieth Castrametatus est,

that is, the Tents are measured out. from whence Machanaim is the proper name of a place, being derived from two Tents of Angels which appeared to Iacob, That they might defend him in his journey; For the Angels of God compasseth them about that feare him, Psal. 33. and therefore Iacob with great joy brake out and said, The tents of God are here, and called it. Machanaim. This was affigned to the Leuits, Iosh. 21. and here Danid was received when he fled from his sonne Absalon, 2 Sam. 17. Here Iacob wrastles with the Angell, Gen. 32.

Of Pruel or Penuel.

This Towne was upon the East side of Iordan, close by the mouth of the river laboch, in the tribe of Gad, fortie miles from Ierusalem towards the Southeast; and is derived from Panah and El, which signifies, He beheld the Almighty Godface to face, and for that cause he called it Penuel or Pnuel, which is, the face of God, Gen. 32. The Tower of this Towne was destroised in Gedeons time, Iudg. 3.

of Succoth.

This is a towne beyond Iordan, not farre from Penuel, in the tribe of Gad, 40 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southeast. Here lacob set up his tabernacles and continued for a while; from whence it borrowes the name. For Sachach, signifies A conering, and from thence it is called Succha, and rate with the Greeks, which signifies, A shield, covering, defence, or tabernacle: Of this towne there is mention in 10sh.13. 2 Chr.4. Gedeon caused the Citizens of this towne of Succosh to be torne to pieces with thornes, ludg. 8.

Of Salem.

Salem is a town of the Sichamites, lying towards the East fide of the river Iordan, and in the midst of the tribe of Manasses, fortie miles from Ierusalem towards the North, not farre from Sichem, where Dinah, locobs daughter was rauished, Gen. 33. 6, 34. in Enon neere to this place Iohn Baptist baptised, and signifies, A Citie of Peace and integritie.

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Of Bethlem Euphrata.

This town was diffant from Ierusalem towards the South, six miles; it was scituated in a pleasant and fruitfull countrey, and from thence tooke the name: for Bethlachem, is called The house of bread; Euphrata signifies, fruitfull, being derived from Parah, that is, to fruitisse; and Baith signifieth a house, from the affinitie that it hath to Banah, that is, to build. So that Baithlachem doth denote vnto vs The house of bread, and other fruits and meats that are fit to be eaten. Here was Christ the sonne of God borne, that bread of life, of which who soever eateth shall live eternally, 10.6. And here David was the second time annointed King, 1 Sam. 16. Of this towneyou may reade more in the second of Luke.

of Rachels grane.

Bout a mile from Bethlem towards the North, Rachel the wife of Iacob was buried, ouer whom hee fet a stately sepulchre made of twelue marble stones, or Pyramides: these stones are seene to this day upon the right hand of the way, as you goe from Bethlem to Ierusalem: and from thence all the land thereabouts is called the land of Rachel. For when Herod killed the innocent children, all the inhabitants thereabouts wept, and would not be comforted, Matth. 2. Ierem. 3 I

Of the Towne of Ader.

His was a watch Tower of the Bethlamites, about a mile from Bethlem towards the South, and was so called from the flockes of Sheepe that reforted thither: for Migdal fignifies a Tower, and Ader a flocke or heard: for thereabouts were very fertile pastures. Here the Angels told the sheepheards of the nativitie of Christ, lying at Bethlem in a manger: and in the place of that tower there was a Church built, which in Ieroms time was called Angelus ad Pastores, because the Angels there appeared to the sheepe-heards. Here Iacob dwelt for a time, and in this place Reuben lay with Billah his wise, Gen. 36.

Of Gofen and Ony.

Gofen was a very delectable and fruitfull country in the land of Ægypt, the Metropolitane whereof was Ony, two hundred miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest: in this Citie saceb dwelt.

The typicall signification of the Patriarch Iacob.

Acob fignifies, a fupplamer, and was a type of Christ, who is that upplanter of Sathan, and by his death hath broken his head in pieces. Againe, he is the type of a Christian man: For as he wrestling with the Angell, obtained a blessing; so every good man continually striuing with perseuerance in prayer, shall at length obtaine an euerlasting blessing: for, for this cause was Jacob called Ifrael, that is, the Prince of God, in that he prevailed with God : fo all those that beleeue in Christ, are called Princes of the kingdome of heauen: because by his mediation they have preuailed with God, and are made partakers of eternall life. I Iacob had two wives, Leah and Rachel; Leah fignifies, wearied, and was a type of the old Mosaicall Church: for that was oppressed and wearied with the lawes of Moses, and brought forth Priests, Leuites, Kings, and warlike Princes, by which the people of the Iewes became oppressed and wearied by extreame labors, and at length were miserably extinguished: for as it is in the 15 of the Acts of the Apostles, The law of Moses was an intollerable and troublesome burthen. But Rachel fignifies a Sheepe, and is a type and figne of the Church of God in the New Testament, as Christ himselfe speaketh in the tenth of Iohn, My sheepe heare my voice and follow me, and I will give them eternall life.

Sheepe are naturally patient and peaceable; so all such as are of Christs Church, seeke after patience and peace. Leah was nothing so faire, but much more fruitfull: Rachel was nothing so fruitfull, but a great deale fairer. Leah was the mother of Benjamin which signifieth forrow: Rachel of Ioseph, who was a type of

Christ.

of the Trancls of Esau.



San travelled from monnt Sier in Mesopotamia, to the towne of Pauell or Penuell, eightie miles to meet his brother Iacob: where the fingular civilitie and humilitie of Iacob towards him, is worthy observation. For

hee first sent to meet him, then hee did him obedience to the ground seuen seuerall times, and so saluted him, saying, Loe, these are the children which God of his grace have giving his feruand. From whence it may be gathered. That it becommeth every man (if it be possible) to win his enemy to peace and concord rather by humanitie and humilitie, than by force : for Ffan seeing this kind of reuerence, though before he had a full determination to doe him violence, yet now he comes to meet him, embraces him, takes him about the necke, beginnes to weepe, and kisses him, yea fuch was their love, that they both wept with joy, Gen. 35.

After, Efau returning, went home to Sier backe againe, eightie miles: these things hapned in the yeare of the World 2206; when both brethren were about 89 yeares of age, and in the yeare before Christ 1762.

Of mount Sier.

MOunt Sier where Esau and his posteritie dwelt, is forty miles from Ierusalem towards the South; and was so called of Sier the King or Lord thereof, of whom came the Horrites: who being driven thence by the fourteene fonnes of Esan, into Arabia the stony, where they continued, Gen. 26. It was called Edom of Esau, and then, Idum 22, Gen. 25, and the inhabitants thereof Edo. mites, or Idumæans.

The typicall meaning of Esau.

Sau fignifies a Factor, and was so called from rednes: The enemies of the church colouring themselves red with the blood of the godly: For as Rebecca had in her wombe two sonnes, that is. Esau and laceb; one elected, the other reprobated: so in the Church there are found two forts of people, good and euill; some are wicked and impious, contemners of Gods word, and perfecu-

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ters of the Church; as after the posterity of Esau was. But there are others that are the faithfull children of God, that hope through the mediation of our bleffed Sauiour, to be made heires of euerlasting happinesse, and be crowned with him in his kingdome with the crowne of Glory. So that here the faying of our Sauiour may be verified; the first shall be last, and the last shall be first. for Elan was the eldest, yet lost his birthwrite; and Iacob was the

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Of the Tranels of the Patriarch Iuda.



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V da trauelled from Sichem, where Iacob dwelt, and went to the towne of Odulla, some forty and foure miles, where he was married to the daughter of One Chananei whose name was Sohuah which signinifies, A happy Sauiour, by her he had two children in that place, viz. Ger and Onan.

From thence hee went to Timnah to sheare his sheepe, fix miles: and as hee turned aside out of the way, hee committed incest with his daughter in law, Thamer, when shee was about 26 yeares of age.

Asterward hee went twice with his brethren into Ægypt, to buy corne at Zoan, where Ioseph at that time was; for the famine was very great round about. So that reckoning his journey twice two and againe, it amounted to eight hundred twentie and two miles; for Zoan was 208 miles from Hebron where Iacob and his fonnes dwelt.

Lastly, he returned againe with his father and his brother into Ægypt, two hundred and eight miles. These things happened in the yeare of the world 1239, and before Christ 1729.

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The description of the Townes and places to which the Patriarch Inda trauelled.

of Odullam.

His was a towne in the tribe of Inda, eight miles from Iem! I salem towards the South-west, and signifies The testimonicof the poore: being derived of Ed, which fignifies a testimonie, and Dallimo, such as are called poore. Here David hid himselfe from the furie of Saul in a caue, I Sam, 22. Ierom knew this towne, and faith that it was a village. This was a type of the faithful, who be. ing still subject to the calamities and miseries of this world, and persecuted for righteousnesse sake, are glad with David to seeke holes and caues to defend them from their wicked perfecuters.

Of Thimnah.

Himnah is a Citie in the borders of the Tribe of Indah, and L Dan, sciruated in mount Ephraim, six miles from Ierusalem towards the Northwest, and signifieth a perfett and fully finished Citie; being derived from Thamam, that is, fully and absolutely fini. shed; for it was adorned with many very faire and spacious buildings, set up by Iosuah: for in his time it was a faire and large Citie, and at fuch time as the children of I frael invaded Canaan, he had much adoe to win it: Therefore the children of Israel for his great valour, and to manifest their thankefulnesse towards him, they gaue it to him and to his posterity for euer; and here he lyeth bured, losuah 24. Here Sampson married his wife, and by the way killed the Lion, mentioned in the 14 of Iudges. This is a type of the Church, wherein Christ Iesus the true Iosuah is the head, illuminating the same by the bright thining beames of his Gospell, the lustre whereof hath gone throughout the whole World.

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Of the Travels of the Patriarch Ioseph.

Hen loseph was sent from Hebron by his father lacob, Hen loseph was sent from Hebron by his sather lacob, hee went to Sichem to seeke his brothers, 60 miles, Gen.37.

2 From thence he went to Dothan, foure miles, where by his brothers he was throwne into a Pit, and after fold to the Ishmalites, Gen. 37.

3 From Dothan hee was carried to Tanis in Ægypt, and there fold to Potipher, Pharaohs chiefe steward, 272 miles.

4 From Tanis he went to meet his father in the land of Gosen, which is 28 miles, Gen. 46.

From thence he turned backe againe to Tanis, and prefented his father and brethren vnto Pharaoh, Gen. 47. which is 28 miles.

6 From thence heewent backe to Ony to see his father, who now was fick vnto the death, there receiving his bleffing, he closed his eies, which was 28 miles.

7 From thence he returned backe againe to Tanis, which is 28 miles.

8 From Tanis he went backe to Ony, with a great company of horses and chariots, preparing an honourable funerall for his father, Gen. 15. being 28 miles.

9 From Ony he went to Atad which lies vpon the further fide of Iordan toward the East; which is 240 miles, where hee made a great lamentation for the death of his father 7 daies, Gen. 50. The reason why Ioseph went thus far about, was, because hee went with fuch a company towards Hebron, that the Idum ans, through whose countrey he should have gone, would not suffer him to passe that way, standing in seare of his power.

10 From Atad he went to Hebron the Metropolis of the tribe of Iudah, neere to which stood the double caue in the vaile of Mamre, where Iacob was buried, which was 40 miles, Gen. 50.

IR From thence to Heliopolis, a city of the Ægyptians, where 10seph Infeph fet up a stately Academy for all Ægypt, which was accounted 200 miles.

12 From thence he went to Tanis or Zoan, which was the chiefe defence and Metropolitan citie of all Ægypt, being accounted 6 miles.

So all the Trauels of the Patriarch Ioseph was 1962 miles.

A description of the places and cities through which loseph trauelled.

of Dothan.

Othan was a Citie in the tribe of Manaffeth, fortic and four miles from Ierusalem towards the North, & distant six miles from Tiberias towards the West, and signifies A commandement, being derived from Dothor Dathath, that is, he commandeth or ordaineth. Here Ioseph was thrust into an emptie ditch, and sold to the Ismaelites, Gen. 37. Here Elias the Prophet being besieged by the Syrians, shewed to his servant the host of Angels that defended him with the Chariots of fire, &c. 2 Kings 16. Here Holipher. nes was flaine, who had pitched his tents against Bethulia: for Dothan is a Citie which at this day remaineth at the foot of the Mount of Bethuell, beeing scituated in a fertile and pleasant place, compassed about with faire vines, oliues, and pleasant me dows, where the inhabitants do shew that ancient ditch wherein Ioseph was cast, when his brothers sold him to the Ishmaelites, according to that of Solomon, One generation passeth, and another commeth, but the earth indureth for ever.

Of Heliopolis, or the Citie of the Sunne.

This City is called by the Prophet Efay Ca. 19. Irheri, which fignifies The Citie of the Sunne, and is derived of Ir and Cheres which fignifies The brighnesse of the Sunne, and is distant from Ierusalem 224 miles towards the Southwest, six miles and a halfe from Zoan or Tanis. This was a goodly Citie, and in times past the Kings of Ægypt have in that place kept their Courts and places of residence. Here was a flourishing Academie, wherein was taught Astronomie, Cosmographie, and many other liberall

arts and sciences, with great care and diligence, but principally diuinitie (as Munster saith) being adorned with many benefits and priuiledges: for it was thought that the Patriarch Ioseph was the sirst founder of it, and taught there, Gen. 47. Here dwelt Dionisius the Areopagit, a studient of Athens, who at such time as our Sauiour Christ was crucified, at noone day (the Moone then being in the sull) seeing the Sunnetotally darkened, said to this master, Apollophan, Either the God of nature suffereth, or the fabricke of the world is dissolved. The said Dionisius was afterward converted by the Apostle Paul, in the citie of Athens.

Of Goran Atad.

This towns or corne floore was beyond Iordan, not far from Bethabara, 16 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southeast, (Here Ioseph and the rest of the Ægiptians, bewailed the death of

lacob) and tooke the name from thornes and briers that compaffed it every where about.

The interpretation or all egorie of the Patriarch Ioseph, and of his life.

Togeth was a type of Christ divers waies: for as Togeths coat be-Ling of divers colours, was dipped in the bloud of Goates, fo Christ being very God, taking voon him the humane nature, and fprinkled with the bloud of his stripes and wounds (being the lambe of God slaine for the sinnes of the world) was also made changeable and of divers colours. Againe, as Ioseph was fent by laceb to seeke his brethren: so Christ was sent by God his father to feeke the loft sheepe of Israel, which according to the flesh, were his brethren, Mat. 15. And as the breshren of Ioseph were fo great enemies to him, that it was not possible for them to dissemble their hatred towards him, but that both in words and deeds, they must needs expresse their bitternesse, (enuie being the common companion of vertue) fo the Iewes, the brethen of Christ, to whom the knees of all things both in heaven, in hell, and in earth bow, perfecuting him with taunts, mockes, and stripes, yea, vnto death, because he professed himselse to be a good man, and the some of the euerlining God.

And as the Ismalites and Midianites, to whom Ieseph was fold by Indah, was of the stocke of Ioseph, the one being derived from Ismail the sonne of Abraham by his maid Hagar, the other of Mi. dian the sonne of his second wife Keturah : So Christ was sold by Indas his disciple, to the Iewes his kindred according to the flesh, if you respect the nation. The difference was in the price : Toseph the type being fold but for twenty pieces of filuer, Christ the substance sold at thirtie.

The end of the booke of Genesis.

Of the Trauels of the Prophet Moses, and the children of Israel out of Agypt.



N the yeare of the world, 2412, and before Christ 1554, Moses (being then about forty yeares old) fled out of Ægypt into the land of Midian, 180 miles, where he married Ziporah, the daughter of Rinel, Exod. 3.

2 From thence he went to Mount Sinai of

Horeb, 64 miles, Exod. 3.7.

3 From mount Horeb, he returned to Midian to his brother 65 miles, Ex. 4.

4 From Midian he went to Thanis in Ægypt, 180 miles Ex. 12.13.

5 From thence he went with the children of Israel to Raem fes, 48 miles, Ex. 12.

6 From Raemses, he went to Succoth, 8 miles, Ex. 12. Num. 27

7 From Succoth he went to the wildernesse of Etham, eight miles.

8 From Etham hee came to Hahiroth, which lyeth right #

gainst Baal-zephon, 16 miles, Num. 3.

9 From Habiroth, they passed through the middle of the red sea, and trauelled three daies through the wildernesse of Etham, resting themselves at Morah, which is 40 miles: There Most threw a piece of wood into the water being bitter, and presently it became sweet as soone as the wood was throwne in. Exod. 15. Num. 33.

10 From Marah he went to Elim, where there flood 12 wels of water, and 70 palm trees, which is 8 miles, Ex. 16. Nu. 33.

From Elim they went toward the South, 6 miles, and re-

sted themselves by the red sea, Num. 32.

12 From the red sea they went to the wildernes of Zin, where it rained Manna from heaven, which is 16 miles, Num. 32.

13 From the wildernesse of Zin they went to Daphca, which

is 12 miles, Num. 33.

14 From Daphca they went to Alus, which is twelue miles, Num. 32-

15 From Alus they went to Raphidim, being 8 miles: there Moses strook the rock, and presently water issued forth, Ex. 27.

16 From Raphidim they went to mount Sina, which is eight miles: there God gaue the Commandements, Ex. 19 & 20.

17 From Sina they went to the Graves of Concupifcence. because there the children of Israell murmured against God for flesh, & lo it rained Quails into the camp: which is 8 miles, Nu.11

18 From the Graues of Concupifcence they went to Hazeroth, which is 8 miles, there Miriam (Moses fister) was strook with leprosie, Num. 12.

19 From thence they went to Rithma, which is eight miles. Num. 33.

20 From Rithma they went to Rimon-Parets, which is fixe miles, Num. 33.

21 From Rimon-Parets they went to Libanon, which is fixe miles.

22 From Libanon they went to Rissa, which is 6 miles, Nu. 32

23 From Rissa they went to Kehelatha, 6 miles, Num. 22.

24 From Kehelatha they went to the hil of Sephar, which is 4 miles.

25 From the hill of Sephar they went to Harada, four miles and a halfe, Num. 23.

26 From Harada they went to Maceheloth, 4 miles, Nu. 33.

27 From Maceheloth they went to Thahath, 4 miles, Nu. 33.

28 From Thahath they went to Thara, 4 miles, Nu. 33.

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From Thara they went to Mithka, 4 miles, Num. 33. From Mithka they went to Casmona, 8 miles, Nu. 33. 30

From Casmona they went to Moseroth, 32 miles, Nu. 23 From Moseroth they went to Bneiaëcon, 24 miles.

From Bneiaecon they went to mount Gidgad, twentie miles.

From mount Gidgad they went to Iotbatha, 24 miles, Num.33.

From Iothotha they went to Ebrona, 20 miles, Nu. 33. 35

From Ebrona they went to Eziongaber, 28 miles.

From Eziongaber they went to the Wildernesse of Zin-Kades, 48 miles.

From Zin-Kades they went to mount Hor, as God com. manded, 48 miles, where Aaron died.

39 From mount Hor they went to Salmona, 28 miles.

Prom Salmona they went to the town of Phunon, twenty miles.

From Phunon they went to Oboth, 24 miles.

42 From Oboth they went to Igim vpon the hill Abarim, 16 miles.

43 From Igim they went to Dibon Gad, 16 miles, there is thewater Sarum, Num. 31.33.

44 From Dibon Gad they went to Almon Diblathaim, 16 miles, Num. 33.

45 From Almon Diblathaim they went to the hill Abarim, 16 miles.

46 From the hill Abarim they went downward ouer the Ri uer Arnon, to the field of the Moabites, to the town of Jachra, 16 miles, where Moses ouercame Sehon King of the Ammorites, with all his camp. Num. 21. Deut. 2.

47 From Iacra they went to Hesbon, 4 miles, which Towns Moses won from the King of the Ammorites, Num. 21. Deut. 2.

48 From Hesbon they went to the towne of Jaëzer, which Moles won, 8 miles, Num, 21. Deut, 2.

49 From Iaëzer they went to Edrei, 12 miles: there Mofel ouerthrew King Og with all his army at Basan, Num. 21. Dent. 3.

50 From Edrei they went to mount Libanus, 56 miles, which

Moles won. Num. 21. Deut. 3.

From mount Libanus they returned backe againe to the field of the Moabites, 40 miles, by which field lieth the high hill Pifga.where Mofes died, Deut. 34.

So all the trauels of the Patriarch Moses were 1424 miles.

The description of the townes and places by which Moses trauelled with the children of Ifrael.

Of Midian.

MIdian was a metropolitancity of the Midianites, neer to the Red sea, some 160 miles from Ierusalem toward the South, and fignifies a measure, being derived of Madad, which fignifies, He hath measured. Here Iethro (Moses father in law) dwelt. In this town the Kings of Idumæa kept their court, 1 Reg. 11. There was also another city of the same name, that stood neere to Arnon. some 24 miles from Ierusalem toward the East; so that the Midianites had their feat partly neere the red fea in Arabia Pætrea, and partly vpon the confines of the Moabites, taking their beginning from Midian the sonne of Abraham which he had by his wife Kethura, Gen. 25.

Of Horeb.

Oreb is a mount of the Midianites, and is fometimes called by the name of Sina. It lieth 420 miles from Ierusalem toward the South. In this place God appeared to Moses in a flame of fire, Ex. 3. And as Bernard Britenback faith, In this place there is a chappel built, called the Church of S. Mary in the bush. In this Chappel there is a place shewed where God spake with Mofes, Ex. 3. but how true that I leave, because there are many Churches built by Monks, for no other purpose but to deceive travellers and pilgrims of their mony.

Of Raemsis. His is one of the strong cities which the Israelites built for # Pharaeh, and is a metropolitan city in the land of Gossen,

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174 miles

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174 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southwest, & signifies Ioy and delight, being derived of Raam and Sus, that is, To leape for joy.

of Pihachiroth.

His was a certain Plain lying between two hils neere to the Red sea, and was called *Pinachiroth*, which signifies, a mouth cut or carued out; where the Children of Israel pitched their tents. Here *Pharaoh* inuaded them when they went out of Egypt, taking opportunitie of the place: for they having on either side of them an high mountaine, before them the red sea, and behinde them a cruell and mighty tyrant, to the judgment of man had no means to escape. But the Lord to expresse the mightines of his power, and that the Children of Israell might know who it was that delivered them, made them a passage, & led them under the conduct of *Moses* through the red sea; in that very place drowning their enemies, which had thought to make a prey of them. A little from this place the temple of the idol *Baalzephon* is to be seen

Of the Redsea.

He Red sea is 160 miles from Ierusalem Southward, betwixt Arabia and Ægypt, and as some are of opinion, it taketh the name of the red scales that grow therein, wherefore in Scripture it is also called the Scaly sea. Some say it taketh the name from red fand that lies on the shore, cast vp by the sea. Others say, that the rednesse thereof hapneth because of the shadow cast into the water by the mountaines thereabout. The vulgar are of opinion, that it is naturally red by reason of the water; but it is not so, because it is like the water of the Ocean, cleare and falt. Strabo, 11, 16 observeth, that this seawas so called from Erithraa, and thence Mare Arithraum; because the word Erithraum in Greek signifieth red or purple: the Latines call it Mare rubrum, and we, the red sea. This Erithrawas sonne to Perseus and Andremada, who sometimes dwelt in the Island of that sea. It is also called the Arabian gulf, running from the South to the West; and by the Hebrewes, Jamsuph, a scaly searall which names are at this day vsed: at the vtmost bounds.

bounds hereof are feene the admirable workes of *Pharaoh Meco*, who would have brought this Sea to the river Nilus, that so he might have failed thence into the Mediterranian Sea: But this worke he could not finish, being opposed by the wise men of Æ. gypt. Here also growes certaine trees that are as red as Brasill wood.

Of the misterie of the red Sea.

S Moses led the children of Israel through the red Sea, and deliuered them from the bondage and captuitie of the Kings of Ægypt; So Iesus Christ the Sonne of God, by his precious bloud, hath deliuered vs from the house of bondage, and the tyranny of Sathan; and as Pharaoh and all his host was there drowned; so the sinne of Adam, Death, and the Diuell, in that sea of Christs bloud is veterly drowned, and we deliuered from the pit of hell.

Of Baal-Zephon.

This was an Idol crected by the Ægyptians neer to the shore of the sea Sea, and is called Baal zephon, that is, the Lord of defines and watchfulaesse, because as they thought, hee resisted sugitive servants, as Fagins and other Hebrewes observe: being derived from Baal, which signifies, a Lord, and Zapha, that is, That hath seene, or, to behold and see. The temple of this Idol stood close by the shore of the Red sea, vpon a high hill, very curiously wrought, so that the children of Israel going through the same, could not chuse but see it, yet neverthelesse they went securely, when Pharaoh and all his host were drowned, notwithstanding, that their God of defence was so neere them.

Of Marah.

This is a place in the Defart, which took the name of bitterneffe, diftant from Ierusalem 160 miles towards the Southwest. Here Moses made the water sweet by throwing in wood: The misterie whereof is, when Adam and Enal had eaten of the forbidden fruit, they brought bitternesse through all the World, yea, the bitternesse of fin and death: but God shewed vnto Moses another tree, that is, our Lord Iesus Christ, who being throwne into the waters of bitternesse, affiliations calamities, miseries, yea,

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and the death of the Crosse, for our fakes and fins vnderwent the curse of the Law; that so taking away the bitternes, we might be made capable of that sweet and delectable place of eternal! life.

of Elim.

His was the fixt resting place of the Israelites in the desart, 120 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southwest; and is deriued from Aial, which signifies a Hart, a strong and swift Creature, of which it seems there were great multitudes which resorted to this place to drink; and from thence it is called Elim. Here stood 12 fountains and 70 Palme trees.

of Sin.

His was a thorny place in the desart, 156 miles from Ierufalem toward the Southwest. Here it rained down Quailes
and Manna from heauen, being a type of our Sauior Iesus Christ
that heauenly Manna which raiseth vs vp vnto eternall life, 10h. 6.
and is derived of Manah, which signifies to distribute; and therefore Man or Mannah signifies a distributive gist, or meat fallen
from heaven distributively. Sin signifies a thorny place, from
Zemeh, which signifies a bush: for Christ slowisheth in the midst
of his enemies as a Lilly among st thornes, Can. 2. Psal. 10.

Of Raphadim.

R Aphadim was a place where the children of Israell pitched their tents in the desart, not far from mount Sinai, 132 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest; and signifieth a Grasse bench strewed with sweet herbs and floures: being derived from Raphad, which is as much to say in our Language, as To make a bed or place for one to lie down on. Here Moses strook the rock, out of which water issued, Exod. 17. which was a type of that spiritual Rock Christ Iesus, 1 Cor. 10. who being strooke with the staffe of the curse of the Law, out of his pretious wounds and side sent forth that Water of life which runneth into eternal happinesse. In this place the children of Israel sought against the Amalekites, and overcame them, Ex. 17. and here Isthrocame vnto Moses, where according to his counsell there were severe schosen.

chosen over the people, Ex. 18. This was a fruitfull and pleasant place.

Of Mount Sinai.

CInai is 120 miles from Ierusalem towards the South, and be-Cause in that place there are many bushes and thorns, it is called Sinai: for Senaëh fignifies a Bush. Here the Law (which wee call the ten Commandements) was given; & not vnfitly, because like thornes they prick and vex the hearts and consciences of wicked men. It is also called Horeb, or Chareb, which signifies a place made dry. Bernard Breitenbacchus and many others in the moneth of September 1483, went purposely to see this mountaine, and with great labor ascended to the top thereof; for (as he faith) it is a great mountain, and of an extraordinary height; in the lower part round, in the upper part divided into two tops or mountains. one standing toward the West, the other toward the East. That toward the West is called Horeb, that to the East, Sinai. And from these two it is somtimes called Horeb, somtimes Sinai, being both one hill of the base. Between these there lies a faire and spatious Plain, in the middle whereof (and as it may be thought in the midst of the mountain) there stands a monasterie neere to which there is adioyning a very pleasant Garden and Orchard, plentifully furnished with Date trees, Fig trees, and many others very profitable and pleasant; where in antient times were many Monks that continued there. But it hapned that a certain number of Pagans, in hope to find some booty, came from a hauen of the red fea, called Thor, and voon a sudden broke in voon them, and put forty of them to the sword; from whence it was ever aftercalled the Abby of the forty Martyrs. Now it remains desolate, few or none inhabiting there, onely two Monks of S. Katharines Order, and these are also grieuously troubled with the incurfions of the Arabians. The orchard also is destroyed with locusts and the ground become barren. In this orchard there stands a little chappell, in which there is a caue where S. Onuphrius the Anchorist lived.

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At the foot of Mount Sina vpon the North, standeth the monasterie of Saint Katherin, of which the Emperour Instinian was the first founder: it is compassed about with, a wall; close by it standeth a goodly Orchard furnished with divers trees, of fruit pleasant and delightfull; in that there standeth a goodly fountain which watereth all about it. In this place there are a great num. ber of poore Monkes, which get their liuing by their hands, in the defart thereabouts. They fay that here stood the golden calfe spoken of in the 32 of Exodus. And they shew a round stone ly. ing there, where they say Moses broke the two Tables that were given him by God. To pilgrims also they shew the tomb of Saint Katherine, standing vpon the right side of the Quire, with certain other reliques of hers. V pon the left side of the quire, there stands a little doore by which you enter into a place called the Chappell of Saint Marie of the Bush, where they shew the place of the Bush in which God appeared vnto Moses: And to give grace vnto their superstitions, there may none enter into that place, but hee must put off his hose and shooes. There is another place, where they say God commanded Moses to bring vp Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu with him, and the seuenty Elders; with many other superstitious chappels, which would be too tedious & friuolous to recite. Not far from this there standeth also a Mosko of the Sarazens, ful as faire and spacious as that of Saint Katherines, to which there is adjoyned a certaine Turret: hither the Arabians and Sarazens do also often come to visit Saint Katherine.

At the ascent of the Mount Horeb, neere to the Monastery of saint Katherine, there standeth a sountaine of very cleare water, in the likenesse of a bow, made of stone, reaching from the one side of it to the other; and standeth like vnto an archor gate. A little about that, at the foot of Mount Horeb, is to be seene the caue where Eliab rested when the Lord spake vnto him, 1 Reg. 19 Something about that, the clisse of the rocke where Moses stood by Gods appointment, when he past by, and he saw his backe parts, Ex. 33. A little beyond that, is the top of Mount Horeb, where is built a little chappell that hath an iron doore, the keyes of which are in the Monkes custody of the Abbie of saint Katherine. In this place they say Moses received the two tables of stone, wherin the

ten Commandements were written by the finger of God. Ex. 34. There is none that enters into this Chappel but with great reuerence, bare foot and bare legged, and casting themselues upon the earth, kisse it. About sisteene paces from this, they shew the Cauewherein Moses sasted fortie daies and fortie nights, Exod. 24.34. A little about that, there is a Moske, to which there daily reforts Arabians and Saracens in honour of Moses, whom they reuerence as a Prophet. Betweene these there lyeth a Well of cold wholesomewater, which is called Moses Well. Here seemeth in times past to have beene some Monastery; for there are divers ruins of walkes and buildings to be seene. This mountain is round, and difficult to ascendiit is 7000 steps to the top, & from thence the red sea & the arme theros (where Pharaoh was drowned when he followed the children of Israel) may easily be discerned.

Mount Sina is much higher than this, and lyeth two daies journey from the Red fea: Vpon the top whereof are many rocks and great stones. From thence you may see sundry places, as, a mountain lying in Thebaidæs, the great hauen of the red Sea, the Desart of Elim and Sur, with many others. The desarts round about take the name from the height thereos; and are called, The desarts of Sina.

of the Granes of Concupiscence.

These Graues are 112 miles towards the South from Ierusalem, where the children of Israel lusting after meat, were sed by the Lord with Quailes, and for their disobedience died miserably. It was also called Tabarah, which signifies an inflammatian; being derived from Baar, to burne, because here the wrath of the Lord was kindled against them, and he strooke the vetermost parts of their Tents with fire from heaven, and consumed them, Numb. 11.

Of Hazeroth.

This is a place in the defart, some 32 miles from Ierusalem towards the South, the name thereof being derived from Chazer, which signifieth, a Caue, about the mouth whereof there groweth long Grasse: And therefore from hence Chazer

is also taken for Grasse. Here Miriam the sister of Moses and Aaren was strooke with leprosie.

Of Rithmah.

R Ithmah takes name from Iuniper; for Rotham in Hebrew fig-nifies Iuniper. It is distant from Ierusalem 112 miles toward the Southeast. Heere the children of Israel pitched their Tents! Num. 23. and here it is very likely the Angell of the Lord appear red to the prophet Eliah, and brought him meat and drinke.

Of Rimmon Parez.

N this place the children of Israel the 16 remoue made their Labiding, being 108 miles from Ierusalem towards the South East. Here it is thought the children of Israell found great store of Pomegranats, whereof division was made among st them. For Rimmon is as much as a grained apple or a Pomegranat; & Parez, He hath divided.

Of Libnah.

Ibnah is the 17 place where the children of Israel stayed, and was so called of the aboundance of Frankincence that was found there; for Libnah fignifies white Frankincense. This is 104 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southwest.

of Riffa.

Eere the children of Israel pitcht their Tents, being about 100 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southeast; it took the name from the fruitfulnesse and aboundance of floures & herbes that grow there; and is deriued from Rafa, which fignifies to make moist, for there were vsually exceeding pleasant and sweet dewes

Of Chehelah.

Hehelah was the nineteenth place where the children of Is rael made their abiding in the defart, being 92 miles from le rusalem toward the Southwest, Num.33. and signifies a Congregation or Church, being derived from Rabal, that is, He hathaffembled. This was a type of the Church, where all the Elect and faithfaithful people of God trauel through the wildernes of this wicked world.

Of Saphar.

CAphar is a mountaine in the defart of Arabia Petræa, 88 miles ofrom Ierusalem toward the Southwest. This was the twentieth Remoue; the name of the place beeing so called partly of their tents, partly of the roundnesse of the mountains.

Of Harada.

HAradawas full of wilde beafts, which strook the people into a mighty feare; so called as beeing deriued from Charada, which fignifies terror or trembling. Here the children of Israell stayed the 21 time, it being 80 miles from I erusalem toward the Southwest.

of Thahath.

His is a certain valley 68 miles from Ierusalem towards the I Southwest, and is derived from Tachath, which signifieth a ceriain Plaine or low place..

of Maceheloth.

His was the 22 abiding of the Ifraelites, beeing 72 miles 1 from Ierusalem towards the Southwest. Here a congregation of the tribes of I frael was called; for Maccheloth fignifieth a congregation or meeting together. Somtimes it is taken for the Church, being deriued from Rahal, i. He affembleth together.

of Tharah.

THis was a memorable place in the Wildernesse, where the Ifraelites had a breathing time: for now growing neere to the borders of the land of Canaan, after so many journies they began to rest themselves, because of the warres they were shortly to vndertake. And it is derived of Roah and Tarah, which fignifieth a breathing time. Herewas the 24 mansion of the Israelites.

of Mithca.

Ere was the 25 mansion of the Israelites, being but 56 miles. I I from Ierusalem toward the Southwest, in the vtmost borders

of the land of Canaan, and no doubt tooke the name from the delightfull and pleafant tafte of Grapes: For Mitka fignifies the fame that Mitheth, that is to fay, sweetnesse and pleafantnesse.

Of Cades Barnea.

Ades Barnea a citie of the Idumæans (being deriued of Rades and Barab, that is, A holy place) is fortie miles from Ieru. falem towards the South: from this place Moses sent spies into the land of Canaan, who brought of the fruit of the Land, but all of them discouraged the people, onely Caleb: wherefore they murmured, and the Lord was angry, and would not suffer them to enter into the land of Promise: So turning their journey, they went to Exeongaber, 148 miles, so that they trauelled in the desart 40 yeares, before they could enter into the land of Promise. Of this you may reade, Gen. 14.16.20. Num. 13.27.33.34. Dent. Psal. 29. Exech. 47.

Of Chasmona.

In this place the children of Ifrael set up their tents, a little before they sent spies into the land of Canaanit is not far from Cades Barnea towards the South. For the twelue Spies were not sent from the Citie of Cades Barnea, but from their Tents, and of this still distribution, or sending, (for one out of every Tribe was chosen) it tooke the name. For Casmona signifies, a still distribution, being derived of Chasca and Manah, hee stilly distributed.

Of Moseroth.

Oseroth was the 27 mansion of the children of Israel in the wildernesse, and distant from Ierusalem 72 miles towards the South, where the Lord caused them to returne backe for their murmuring, towards the South, that so they might liue just forty yeares in the wildernesse, Num. 14.33. This place seemeth to take the name therof from Traditions, for there Moses repeated to the Israelites the Law of the Lord: and for this cause their tents were called Moseroth, which signifies Traditions, and is derived of Masar, that is, to Preach.

Of Benei Iaacon.

His was the 28 mansion of the Israelites, so called because there their tents were fairly set vp, with pleasant walkes and places about them: for Benei Iaacon signifieth a Building or faire walk; being derived of Bana and Akah, that is, Hee hath set vp an house: and was 96 miles from Ierusalem Southward, Num. 33.

Of Hor Gidgad.

T this mountaine the children of Israel staied a while, because it was a sertill and pleasant place, as Moss himselse witnesseth. It is 112 miles from Ierusalem toward the South, being derived of Harar, a Mountain, and Glebam, a Plough, Plin. 1.20 cp. 20.

Of Iotbatha.

This was the 30 manfion of the Israelites in the wildernesse, being 132 miles from lerusalem toward the South, & took the name from the pleasantnesse and fertilitie of the wildernesse, being derived of Istab & Batha, A certain good and pleasant wasterwildernesse.

Of Arbona.

This place being very discommodious and no whit profitable, the children of Israel were constrained to remove their tents with great weeping and lamentation: for Arbona being derived from Abar and Naha, signifies partly to remove, and partly toweep.

Of Azion Gaber.

This was a town of the Idumæans, neer the red sea, 148 miles from Kades Barnea, and 174 miles from Ierusalem towards the South. Here the Israelites set up their tents, and here Solomon made his Navy which he sent to Ophir to setch gold, 1 Kings, 9. This city no doubt took the name of the strength and multitude of trees, whereof these ships were built; for they were very faire ships, and of excellent workmanship. Æzion Gaber signisseth As stree of strength.

Of Zin-Kades.

His was a great Wildernesse lying betweene Ezion-Gaber and Kades-Barnea, being 184 miles in length, abounding with thorns and high mountaines. Vpon the North side thereof lay mount Seir, and Kades-Barnea, and towards the South the red sea. It was called Paran and Zin, of the aboundance of thorns that grew there; for Zin, of Zanan, signifies a sharp thorne; Zin, nim, sull of thorns; and Kadesh, San city or holinesse. Here Mose and Aaron having strooke the rocke twice, at length it brought forth water: but for their murmuring & incredulity God would not suffer them to goe into the land of Canaan. This lay 120 miles from Ierusalem toward the South.

Of the mountaine Hor.

Toris a mountain of the Idumæans, 88 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southeast, and is derived of Harar, which signisseth a great mountain: here Aaron died. The King of the Canazinites which dwelt toward the South, in a town called Arad, vpon the borders of Iudæa and Arabia Petræa, hearing that Aaron was dead, invaded the Iews with a great army, discomfited them, and tooke some of them captives. But after, the Israelites to revenge this inivity, tooke and destroyed divers cities which belonged to the Canaanites, and put the citisens to the sword. This country is called Chormah, which signisteth a curse or desolution.

Of Zalmona.

His was a place in the defart of Zin-Kades, where the Israe lites pitcht their tents, being 80 miles from Ierusalem to the Southeast, and took the name from shades or little sheds with the Israelites dwelt: for Zalmona seems a compound of Zel and Man, which signifies a shady place, and seemes to have affinitie with Manab, to distribute here and there.

Of Phunon.

His was a city of the Idumæans, scituated in the wildernes of Arabia Petræa, 64 miles from Ierusalem towards the SouthSoutheast; and takes the name from a faire and flourishing city. For Panan in Hebrew fignifieth an high pinnacle, from whence one might see all parts of the world. Here Moses set up the brasen Serpent.

of Oboth.

This was the 37 mansion of the Israelites in the wildernesse, & was 56 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southeast, and signifies a serpent called *Python*. Here the Arabians received an answer from the Diuellby way of conjuration.

Of Igim.

This was the 38 Mansion of the Israelites; so called because of the multitude which were assembled neer to a mountain called Abarim, 52 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southeast; for Igim signifieth a Congregation.

of Dibon Gad.

This was the 39 station of the Israelites in the desart, beeing 52 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southeast, neere to the floud Zared, bordering upon the Idum ans and Moabites, running from thence into the red sea, and as it seemes taketh name from descending into a strong place.

of Almon Diblathaim.

This place stands beyond the red sea, some 40 miles from Ierusalem toward the East; and taketh name from a Fraile of dried signs from Alam signifieth, he hath hidden; and Debeleth, A Fraile of dried signs. Here was the 40 mansion of the Israelites, and lay close by the river Arnon, Nam. 21. 23.

of the mountaines Abarim.

These mountaines lay 32 miles from Ierusalem towards the East, and taketh the name from Passing along, for Abar is as much to say as He went along. Between these mountains and the lake Asphaltites, neere to the Easterne river of the Dead sea, the Moabites inhabited.

of lahza.

His was a city of the Levits the sons of Merar, in the Tribe of Benjamin, 24 miles from Ierusalem Eastward, Ios. 21. here Moses ouercame the King of the Ammonites, and put them to death. Num. 21.

Of Chezbon.

This was the Metropolis of Sehon King of the Ammorites, who held the country beyond Iordan; and because he would not suffer the children of Israel to passe through his Dominions, therefore Moses made warre upon him, put him to death, and gaue all his country to the tribes of Reuben and Gad. This was a faint towne, and after sell to the Levits, Num. 21.33. Deut. 1.2. oc and tooke its name from Cheschebon, which signifies An artificiall understanding: for Chaschaf is as much as exceptiavit, that is, he had sound out; and Cheschaf is, An artificiall and ingenious Worke.

Of lazir.

Ezir was a city of the Priests in the Tribe of Gad, 36 miles from Ierusalem toward the East, and in Ieroms time was a small village, and signifies, The Lord is my help; being derived of Ish, that is, The Lord God; and Ezar, The helper.

of Edrie.

This is a city in the countrey of Gilead, beyond Iordan and the Galilean fea, 32 miles from Ierufalem South-Eastward neere the lake of Gaderin; where og the King of Basan was outcome by Moses; and after fel to the Eribe of Manasses, Num. 21. 10s. 13. Deut. 13. S. Ierom saith, That in his time this townews called Adar. og signifieth a Cooke, or one that baketh bread up on coles. Adria signifies an heap of bright clouds; being derived of Adar and Hi, that is, a cleare heape.

of Afteroth.

His was a metropolitan City of Basan, foure miles distant from Edri, and 56 from Ierusalem toward the Southeast. It stood beyond Iordan, and belonged to the half tribe of Manasses of which you may reade before in the trauels of Lot.

Of Pifgah.

His was a high mountaine in the plaine of the Moabites, a-gainst Iericho, 240 miles from Ierusalem Eastward. It took the name from the cities Pisgah and Nebo, and therefore is called somtimes Pisgah, somtimes Nebo. Here Moses died. Nebo signifies a city of the Prophets: Pisgah, The top of a hill.

The Trauels of the Prophet Balaam.

Here are many which thinke that this Prophet Balaam was of the posteritie of Nahor the brother of Abraham, and an inhabitant of the city of Charan in Mesopotamia, Gen. 11. Iofophus saith he dwelt neere to Euphrates: and S. Ierom, in a Citic called Phatura, of which there is mention, Num. 22. and signifies anobscure Prophet, or oracle which interpreteth. For Pathar with the Hebrewes, is the same that He hath interpreted, is with vs.

Wherefore this Prophet trauelled from Pithora or Phatura in Mesopotamia, to Abel or the plaine of Vines, where his Asse

spake, Num. 22. which is 400 miles.

From thence he went to the land of the Moabites, 40 miles; where in the mount of Peor he bleffed the children Ifrael.

So all the trauels of this Prophet were 440 miles.

Of the Plain of the Vines.

There is often mention of this place in the Scripture; & for the fertilitie of the countrey, and plenty of sweet Wines, there was a beautifull city built, called Abel, of the Vines, some 56 miles from Ierusalem South-Eastward; and was placed in the way as they went from Mesopotamia into the country of the Moabites. Whereby it appeareth, that neere to this place the Asse spake to Balaam, Numb. 22. In S. Ieroms time there was I

found a little Village fo called, where there was great plenty of Vines. Here Ieptha ouercame the Ammorites, and made a great flaughter, Iud. 11.

The Travels of that noble Captaine IOSHVAH.

TOSHVAH and Caleb trauelled with Moses from Raemsis out of Ægypt through the Red sea, and came to Kades-Barnea, 268 miles.

From Cades-Barnea they were fent forth with other Spice to the land of Canaan, Num. 13. and went out of the wilderness of Zinand Paran, and came to the towne of Rechob in Galile. 140 miles.

From thence they went to the towne of Hamath in Syria which was after called Antiochia, 188 miles.

From Hamath or Antiochia they returned agains to Hebron 304 miles, where voon the side of the river Escol they cut off bunch of grapes, with the stalke, which was as much as both the loss 10 s. 10. could be are vpon their shoulders, Num, 12.

From Hebron they returned agains to Kades-Barnea, twentil miles. There all the people murmured against Moses, Num. 14 Heereby it is to be seene, that the Spies in forty dayes travelled 648 miles in the land of Canaan, that is, every day 16 miles and little more.

After that, Ioshuah and Caleb travelled with Moses and the children of Ifrael to Ezeon-Gabir, and from thence to the towne of Iahza, 464 miles.

From Iahza they past through two kingdoms to mount Liba nus, 80 miles.

From mount Libanus they returned againe into the Land of Sittim, that lay by the hill Pifgah in the field of the Moabites So miles.

From the land of Sittim they past through the river of Iordan

and came to Gilgal, 6 miles, where Ioshuah pitched his Campe, Num.21.10s.4.5.

From Gilgal he went to Iericho, 2 miles: there he affailed the towne with the found of basons, and won it, 10f.6.

From Iericho he went to Ai, being 4 miles, and took and burnt

the whole towne, 101.7.8.

From Ai he returned to Gilgal, 4 miles, and there vpon the hil of Ebal he built an altar vnto the Lord, and there were the bleffings and curfings pronounced, Iof. 8. Dent. 27.

From Gilgal hee went to Gibeon, twelue miles. There the Sunne stood still during the battaile against the three Kings, 10huah 10.

From Gibeon he went to Ajalon, 2 miles, here the Moon stood Still, Iof. 10.

From Ajalon he went to Aseka, 4 miles: there it hailed vpon the enemies that fled before Israel, 106.10.

From Aseka Ioshuah returned againe into the Camp at Gilgal, 20 miles, Iof. 10.

From Gilgal hee went to Makeda, where hee hanged the fiue Kings, Iof. 10.

From Makeda he went to Libna, 2 miles, and tooke the towne,

From Libnahe went to Lachis, 8 miles. From Lachis he went to Eglon, 8 miles.

From Eglon he went to Hebron, which is fixteene miles, 10-Shuah 10.

From Hebron he went to Debir, a mile, Iof. 10.

After that, Ioshuah with one continued War won all that part of Iudæawhich lay towards the South, bordering Eastward vpon the Dead Sea, Southward vpon Cades-Barnea, Westward vpon Asdod and Gaza, and Northward vpon Gibeon and Gilgal: This circuit of land containeth about one hundred fifty and fixe miles.

From Gilgal Ioshuah went out with his army about 22 miles, to the river of Merom, where he flew the rest of the Kings of the Canaanites in a memorable battell, Iof. 11.

From

From the river of Merom Ioshuah chased his enemies and sollowed them to Sidon, which was 612 miles, Ios. 11.

From Sidon he went again to Hazor, 32 miles, which town he

burnt, lof. 11.

After that, Ioshuah at one time won all the townes in the Holy land which lay Northward in the lands of Samaria and Galilea, from Gibeon to mount Libanus, and from the river of Iordan to the great sea, called Mare Mediterranean; which countries in circuit contain 280 miles.

After that, Ioshuah returned again to his camp at Gilgal, which lay 72 miles from the towne of Hazor, where he made a division of the land among st the children of Israel, 10f. 14, 15.

From Gilgal he went to Shilo, 12 miles, where he made an end

of dividing the land, lof. 18.

From Shilo he went to Timnah Sera, eight miles, and there he dwelt; for the children of Israel gaue him that town for his own inheritance, 10,19.

From Timnah Sera, Ioshuah not long before hee died came to Sichem, forty miles. There he affembled all the tribes of Israel, Ios. 24.

From Sichem he returned againe to Timnah Sera, 40 miles, where he died and was buried, 106.24.

So all the trauels of Prince Tofbuah were 2392 miles.

The description of the seuerall townes and places to which Ioshuah trauelled.

¶ Of Rechob:

This was a city of the Levits in the tribe of Ashur, 100 miles from Ierusalem toward the North, Num. 13. and signifieth a broad street, being derived from Radhab, that is, To extend out in length.

Of

Of Hamah or Chamah.

Hiswasa city of the Levits in the Tribe of Nepthaly, and was 100 miles from Ierufalem, vpon the vtmost bounds of the holy land, at the foot of Antilibanus, Num. 11.34. 10f. 19. deriued from Chamab, that is, surious, or burning with anger.

Of Gilgal.

His was a town between Iordan & the city Iericho, 12 miles from Ierusalem Southeastward; where the children of Israel having past the river of Iordan, first made war vpon all the Nations of the land of Canaan. Here they folemnifed the first paschal Lambe. After they came into this land, Manna ceased, because they then ate the fruits of the countrey. Here Ioshuah taking 12 stones out of Iordan, pitcht them vp for a memorial. Here the tabernacle of God stayed for a time, which was the reason that afterward the Israelites committed idolatry in this place, Iof. 4.5. Hos. 2.4.9. Amos 5. Neere to this place, Ehud the third Iudge of the Children of Israel received gifts of them to carry to Eglon King of the Moabites dwelling at Iericho, where hee killed him with a knife. Here Saul was the second time confirmed King of Israel, 2 Sam. 10. and as it seemes taketh name of Roundnesse, 10-Shuah at this time building his tent in a circular fashion: for Galai fignifies a round wheele or Tent, compassed about with Ditches and bulwarks.

Of Iericho.

This is a city in the tribe of Benjamin, two miles from Iordan & fix from Ierusalem Southeastward. Ioshuah ouercame this with the sound of horns or trumpets, Ios. 26. Heb. 11. Heere Christ restored the blind man to sight, Mat. 6. converted Zachaus Luke 19. and was called the city of Palms, by reason of the great plenty of Palmes that grew there. You may reade more of this hereaster.

Of Hai or Ai.

Ai is a Towne in the tribe of Benjamin neere to Bethel, toward the East, where Abraham dwelt, Gen. 12. Ioshuah won this

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towne, 10f.7.8. it was fo called of a Prophet that dwelt there, and fignifieth, To be placed vpon a heape: for Ai fignifies A heape. lying partly equally, partly vnequally. The ruines of this towne were scarce to be found in S. Ieroms time.

of Gibeon.

His was a Metropolitan city in the Tribe of Benjamin, the inhabitants wherof became petitioners to Ioshuah for peace 10[.9.10.18. 2 Sam. 21. Afterward it was given to the Priests. It is derived of Gibeah or Gibeon, which fignifies a curled hill. It was scituated on a mountain soure miles from Ierusalem toward the North. Here stood the tabernacle of the Couenant, & the brasen Altar. Here Saul was first made King of Israel. Here hee put the sons of Abimilech the priest to death, I Sam. 12. Here Toshuaho. uercame the fine Kings of the Ammorites. Here the Sunne stood still. Of this you may reade more hereafter.

of Ajalon.

His was a city of the Priests in the tribe of Dan, four miles I from Ierusalem toward the Southeast, and taketh the name from a Hinde; for Aislah fignifieth an Hinde, a beast very strong and swift. Here the Moon stood still. Here longthan tasted hony, contrary to his fathers command, for which he was judged to dy 1 Sam. 14.

of Azeka.

Zeka was a city of the Ammorits in the tribe of Iuda, eight miles from Ierusalem toward the West, neer to Odullam, where Danid killed Goliah; and as it seems taketh the name from Munition, or a place compassed about with an hedge; being deriued from Itsek, he hedged about. This was a faire city in Saint Itroms time.

Of the walley of Achor.

His valley is distant from Ierusalem 12 miles, and not famo I from Iericho and Gilgall towards the North, taking name (as it seemeth) of Achon that Theese mentioned in Ioshuah, who was stoned there; from whence it is called Achor, which signifinisieth Trouble, because of the terrible words that Ioshuah spake vnto him there. You may reade of this, Hof. 2. Efay 25. 10f. 1 1.15.

Of Makedah.

D Etween Elewtheropolin and Bethlehem this town stood, be-Ding in the tribe of Iudah, some 8 miles from Ierusalem, towards the West, and taketh the name of a floure that hangs down the head, being derived of Kadad, which fignifieth to hang down, Here Ioshuah hanged the five kings of the Ammorites, which he had formerly conquered, Iol. 10.

of Libra.

L Ibna is a city belonging to the Levites in the tribe of Iudah, and is scituated between Eglon and Makeda, ten miles from Ierusalem toward the Northwest, where the 14 King that Iosbuah conquered kept his court; and taketh the name from the aboundance of frankincense that is found there: for Libonah signifieth white frankincense. Zenacharib besieged this city. Some say it taketh the name from the Hebrew Laba, which fignifieth White Bricks: because there is found much matter whereof such kind of bricks are made.

Of Lachis.

Achis is a city in the tribe of Iudah, and lieth betweene Eleutheropolin and Hebron, 20 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest, and 2 miles from Rechila toward the North, 10f. 15. 2 Chr. 11. and taketh the name from Walking; beeing derived from Ialach, which fignifieth, He hath walked. Ioshuah tooke the King of this City and put him to death: and Zenacharib King of the Affyrians besieged it, but to little purpose.

of Eglon.

CGlonwas a city in the tribe of Iuda, 12 miles from Ierusalem Southward, Ioshuah took the king of this city & hanged him. it taketh the name from Æcal, signifying a Calie. of Debir.

Ebir was a city of the Levites, 22 miles from Ierusalem towards the South, and almost halfe a mile from Hebron to-

wards

wards the Northwest. Athniel the brother of Caleb won this town, wherefore he gaue him his daughter Archsa to wise. Formerly it was called Kiriath-Sepher, i. A city of Scribes and Students; for it was consecrated to learning. From hence it was called Debir, which signifies an oracle, or an holy altar; because the Lord there by his priests that were assigned for that purpose, did foretell and prophecie of things to come: being derived from Debar, that is, He hath spoken.

Of Asded or Azotes.

This was a city of the Philistines, scituated upon the shore of the Mediterranean sea, in the tribe of Dan, and 22 miles from Ierusalem towards the West. This town was conquered by Ioshuah, Ios. 11. 1 Reg. 5. it was also taken by Psammiticus King of Egypt, in Manasses time, as Herodotus saith, it is now a little town, and is called Azotus. In times past it was a faire city, and tooke name from the fire of loue; being derived of Esh, which signifies a fire; and Dod, beloved.

of Gaza.

Aza was a faire city of the Philistims, vpon the shore of the red sea, some 24 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest, and significth a strong town, being derived from Gazez, To confirme. Sampson being inclosed within this towne, tooke away the gates and barres thereof, and laid them at the foot of mount Hebron, Iudg. 16.

Of the river Merom.

His was a lake not far from Dotham, some 4 miles from Tiberias Westward, and 44 miles from Ierusalem towards the North; and is so called from the deepnesse of it, being derived of Rom, which signifies it was high, & Marab, bitter; whence Merom, a high bitter water. Here Ioshuah overthrew the Kings of the Canaanites, Ios. 11.

Of Sidon.

Sidon takes the name of Zod, which fignifies, Hee hath hunted, and was a famous mart town in Phoenicea, being a place scituated at the foot of that high hill Antelibanus, neere to the short of the Mediterranean, 16 miles from Ierusalem Northward.

Of Libanus.

This is a mountaine of an extraordinary height, fome 104 miles from Ierusalem Northward, looking into Syria and Phoenicia. From thence the river Iordan taketh the beginning, being so called of two springs or wels, that is, Ior, and Dan, rising from the bottom of this hill. It seems to take the name from the aboundance of floures and varietie of sweet smels or dewes that are there; and also of frankincense or gum Olibanum sound voon it: it is a very fruitfull place, ful of springs and wholsome herbs, so that no serpent will abide in it: it is divided into two parts, the one lieth neere Sidon Westward, called Antelibanus; the other toward Damascus voon the East, and is only called Libanus. It is so high that it serves for a sea marke, and so much the more remarkable, for that (as some say) snow lieth continually voon the top of it, so that afar off it seemeth white.

Of the river Iordan.

TOrdan is a pleasant sweet river watering the holy land (where-Lof you may read before.) It is named Iorden at Cæsarea Philippi, a little from the foot of Antelibanus, 104 miles from Ierufalem Northward: it passeth through the lake Samachoniten, and divideth it into two equall parts; from thence running thorow a great part of Galilee, it falls into the sea Tyberias, & there as it were divideth it into two parts, it watereth that part of Iudæa called Samaria; and about Easter, which is the beginning of that haruest, it floweth ouer the banks, and fru &ifies many countries lying neere it: at length it falleth into the lake Afphaltites and there endeth, about 14 miles from Ierusalem Eastward. So that from the first beginning of this Riversto the end of it, is 92 miles. It is called Palah by the Hebrewes, which fignifieth swift and hidden; because it riseth from a certain wel or pit called Phiala, which is alwaies full of water, but from whence it fpringeth is vnknown. Io shuah about Easter passed vpon dry ground through this river, even then when it was fullest of water, Iof. 3. So did Etiah & Elisha, 2 Reg. Here Naaman the leper washt himself, 2 Reg. 5 Here Christ was baptised by S. John Baptist, Mat. 3. Luke 3.

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of Hazor.

His was a town in the vpper Galilee, belonging to the tribe of Nepthali: it was the chiefe Hold and city of the king of the Canaanites, being distant from Ierusalem 80 miles towards the North. This to shuah destroyed with fire and sword. Deborah also the Prophetesse besieged it, tooke it, and put Jahin the King thereof to death. In times past it was a very strong city, as the ruines thereof testifie.

of Siloh.

C Hoh the city and house of God, was scituate on a high mountain in the tribe of Ephraim, 4 miles and somwhat better from Ierusalem towards the North. Here the Arke of the Couenant continued from the time that the Israelites first entred into the land of Canaan, till Eli the Priest fetcht it thence; in whose time it was taken by the Philistims, and he for very griefe therefore fel downe and brake his necke against a stone, I Sam. 4. The inhabitants hereabouts shew the ruines of a certaine sepulchre standing vpon the top of this mount, where they say Samuel was buried: but that canot be true, for he was buried at Ramath, which now is called Arimathea. Therefore it seems to be either the ruins of Elie fepulchre, who died miserably in that place; or else of the House of the Lord, which many yeares past stood there. Schiloh signifies Happy and peaceable, being deriued from Schalah, that is, to line at ease and in peace.

Of Timnah. Of this you may reade in the Trauels of IVDAH.

The type and my sterie of IOSHVAH.

To shuah and Lesus is all one in fignification, that is, Sauour, or a Defender, and did typically represent our Sauior Christ, that as this Ioshuah brought the children of Israel through Iordan in to the land of Canaan, fo Iesus Christ the true Ioshuab and Sauiour of the world, through that Iordan of Baptisme bringethys into that place of Promise, Eternall life.

Where the one andthirty Kings dwelt, ouercome and slain by IOSHVAH, lof. 10.

The Trauels of the Patriarch Ioshuah.

S the Prophet Moses won all the land vpon the one side of A lordan, so 10shuah won all the Countrey on the other, from the towne of Baalgadan, beginning at mount Libanus, not farre from Mount Hebron, till you come to the town of Cæsarea Philippi, and to the hill Seir, where fomtime Esaudwelt: all which is 160 miles long, and 28 or 32 miles broad.

The first King that Ioshuah ouercame, dwelt in Iericho.

The fecond King held his court in Ai.

The third King dwelt in Ierusalem, and was called Adoni-Zebec, that is, a Lord of Righteousnesse. This King Ioshuah hanged at Makeda, 10f. 10.

The fourth King, called Hoham, dwelr at Hebron, and was likewisehanged at Makeda, Iof. 10.

The fift King, called Percam, dwelt at Iarmouth in the tribe of Iuda 20 miles from Ierusalem Westward.

The 6 King, called Iaphia, dwelt at Lachis, 2 miles from Iarmouth Southward. He was also hanged at Makeda, 10f. 10.

The seuenth King dwelt at Eglon, called Debir, and was also hanged at Makeda.

The 8 King was called Horam, and held his princely feat in the tribe of Dan, in the town of Gezer, 16 miles from Ierusalem westward:whom Ioshuah sew with all his men, 10s. 10.

The ninth King dwelt at Debir.

The tenth King held his court at Gerar in the tribe of Judah, 14 miles from Ierusalem Westward.

The 11 King dwelt at Harma in the Tribe of Iudah, which is vpon the borders of Arabia deferta not far from Ziclag, 40 miles from Ieru alem Southwestward: this town in times past was called Zephal, that is, a watch-tower, because it stood vpon a hill. But when the children of Iuda had ouerthrowne the whole army of the Canaanites, they called it Haram, a Curfe, Ind. 1.

The 12 King dwelt at Arat, 22 miles from Ierusalem Southward, which was a towne of the Ammorites, and tooke the name from from the Asses that were in great troups within the woods there. about. It lay in the tribe of Iuda.

The 13 King dwelt at Libnah in the tribe of Iuda.

The 14 King dwelt at Odullam.

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The 15 King dwelt at Makeda. In this towne Ioshuah hanged fiue Kings, Iof. 10.

The 16 King dwelt at Bethel.

The 17 King dwelt at Tapnah, not far from Iordan & Iericho. 12 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward.

The 18 King dwelt at Hepher, 6 miles from Ierusalem North. ward: part of this towne was allotted to the tribe of Zabulon. 14. nas the Prophet was borne in this towne, 2 Reg. 14. and is 4 miles distant from the town of Nazareth Southward.

The 19 King dwelt at Apheck, 44 miles from Ierusalem Northward, and 2 miles from Iefreel. There also the Arke of the Lord was taken, and there also the sons of Eli the high priest were flain, I Sam. 4. This town was in the halfe tribe of Manasses.

The 20 King dwelt at Lazaron, 18 miles and a half from Ieru falem Northwestward, not far from Ioppen and Lidda.

The 21 king dwelt at Nadan,14 miles from Ierusalem North westward.

The 22 King dwelt at Hazor.

The 23 King dwelt at Simron, which town was allotted to the tribe of Zabulon, Ioshuah 14. It lieth fixty eight miles from Io rusalem Northward, not farre from the town of Nazareth in Galilee.

The 24 king dwelt at Achsap, 88 miles from Ierusalem North ward; which town was allotted to the tribe of Afer.

The 25 King dwelt at Tanaach,44 miles from Ierusalem: this town belonged to the Levits, and stood in the tribe of Manasses, 6 miles from Iefree! Southward, Ief. 21.

The 26 King dwelt at Megiddo, 44 miles from Ierusalem Northward, scarce 4 miles from Taanach. By this towne of Megiddo Iosias King of Iuda was ouerthrown by Pharaoh Necho King of Egypt, 2 Reg. 23. In the trauels of Ioliah King of Iuda I will speake of this town more at large. The

The 27 King dwelt at Kades, 10f. 19.21.

The 28 King dwelt at Iaknedam, 27 miles from Ierusalem Northward, being vpon the Mediterranean sea. This towne was alotted to the Tribe of Zabulon, and given to the Levits, lof. 21.

The 29 King dwelt at Naphet Dor, which towne lay upon the sea coast between the hill Carmel and the town of Cesarea Stratonis,48 miles from Ierusalem Northward.

The 30 King dwelt at Gilgal, between Iericho and the Riuer lordan, and was the first King that Iosuah ouercame and slew al his hoft.

The 31 King dwelt at Thirtza, in the Tribe of Manasses, 24 miles from Ierusalem. In this towne Ieroboam, and after him all the Kings of Israel kept their courts, before Samaria was built.

THE BOOKE OF IVDGES.

The Travels of Caleb and Athniel.

Aleb and Athniel with all the Children of Iuda, went from Iuda to Befeck, 44 miles, where they tooke King Adoni-Befeck prisoner, and cut off his fingers and toes, Indg. r.

From Befeck they went to Ierusalem, 44 miles, which they tooke by force and burnt it, Iudg. 1.

From Ierusalem they went to Hebron, 22 miles, which they tooke, and flew the Gyants that inhabited therein, Iudg. 1.

Not far from Hebron lay the towne of Debir, which Athniel won, and therefore Caleb gave him his daughter Achfa for his wife Indg.I.

From Debir they went to Zephat, 16 miles, which town they Won, Iudg. 1.

From Zephat they went to Gaza, 4 miles.

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From Gaza they went to Ascalon, 6 miles, ludg. 1. From Ascalon the went to Hebron, 14 miles.

From Hebron they went backe again to Debir, where Athniel dwelt, 12 miles.

So all the trauels of Caleb and Athniel were 132 miles.

The Description of the Townes and places to which they trauelled.

Of Befeck.

Befeck was a metropolitan city of the Canaanites, neere to the water Merom, where Adoni-Befeck kept his Court, 44 miles from Ierusalem toward the North, and tooke the name of Defack, or Befeck, which signifies lightning. Of this King you may reade, Inde. 1.

Of Zephah.

His was a town vpon the borders of the tribes of Iudah and Simeon, not far from Siclag, Iof. 15. It takes the name from Zaphah, which fignifies a watch-tower: and was also called by the tons of Iuda, (who destroyed all the country) Chorma, which fignifies a Curse, or a desolat place. To the citisens hereof Dauid sent gifts, 1 Sam. 36.

Of Gaza.

F this town you may reade more hereafter in the Trauels of the Arke of the Couenant.

The typicall signification of CALEB.

CALEB fignifieth An hearty man, or, A man after Gods owne heart, louing his Neighbour with all his heart. For Col is as much as Omnis, which fignifies All; and Cala, Hee forgiueth all; and Leb or Lebbah fignifieth an Heart, the feat and fountain of all life. So that Caleb feems to take his name from a fingular heartic affection, whereby he forgiueth his neighbour. For as this man being of a noble resolution and courage, in the 29 yeare of his

agewon Hebron a strong City, and put to death the three sons of *Inak*, terrible Gyants: so Christ the Son of God, that so loued the world that he gaue himselfe for it, with a more than humane resolution conquered hell, and those three mighty Gyants incident vnto it, the sons of Sathan, Sin, the World, and Death.

Of Athniel.

TN the yeare of the World 1503, and before Christ, 2565, 10-I shuab died: after whose death, Caleb and Athniel judged I frael; about which time the Israelites committed idolatry, and worshipped Baal and Asteroth: wherefore the Lord suffered them to fall into the hands of Chulhan Rishathaim King of Mesopotamia. But because of their oppression they cried vnto the Lord, and hee flirred vp Othniel the yonger brother of Caleb, who in the yeare of the world 2512 conquered Chushan, deliuered the people, and gouerned Israel 40 years, Iudg. 3. Athniel or Othniel signifies the god of time, being derived of Ath, that is, an Age: and is a Type of Christ, who is the God of time; and in his due time conquered the world, and Sathan the prince thereof, thereby delivering the poore afflicted members of his Church out of his miserable seruitude and bondage: for which cause God hath made him judge ouer it, and given him fell power and authority to rule and gouern it.

The Tranels of Ehud the third Indge of Israel.

Hud was the sonne of Gira of the Tribe of Iuda, and dwelt in the City of Ierichoor of the Palmes. Hee was a valiant and resolute man, lame of his right hand, Iudg. 3. and to the iudgement of man not fit to bee a Captaine, beeing so infirme. Yet it happened that this man growing in sauor with Eglon King of the Moabites, who at this time kept his Court in Iericho, (which towne he had but eighteene yeares before conquered) tooke opportunite by the Children of Israels comming to Gilgal (for they came thither to offer to the Idoll, and to bring gifts

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gifts of the king) to prefent these presents vnto him; and because of his former familiaritie, was admitted to speake in privat with him in his fummer parlour; where as he was talking with him, he thrust him into the belly with a short knife : and locking the dore he fled back to Seirah, and told the children of Israell what he had done. From thence they prefently went to Ephraim, there blew the trumpet, and set vpon the Moabits and put them to the fword, Iudg. 3.

The Trauels of Ehud.

Hudwent from Iericho to Gilgal, 2 miles.
From Gilgal hemens 7 From Gilgal he went to Iericho, 2 miles. From Iericho he went to mount Ephraim, 6 miles. From Mount Ephraim he went to Iorden, 4 miles, where he ouerthrew 10000 Moabites. So all the trauels of Ehud were 14 miles.

Of Mount Ephraim. His mountain is about 8 miles from Ierusalem towards the South, and extends it felfe in longitude to the city neer th

Mediterranean sea, called Ioppa, which is distant from Ierusalen 20 miles toward the Northwest.

The Trauels of the sonnes of Hobab the Kenite.

He sons of Hobab the Kenite (Moses brother in law) well from Iericho to Arad a City in the tribe of Iuda, scituated in the defart toward the South, Num. 10. Indg. 1. 44 miles.

Of Arad. Rad is a city in the Tribe of Iuda, 22 miles from Ierusalem towards the South, taking the name of a multitude of affor that were found thereabouts in the defart, and is derived from & rod, which signifies a wilde Asse, a rude creature.

The travels of Iael, Deborah and Barak.

The Travels of Iael, the wife of Heber the Kenite, who killed Siscrathe Captaine.

Rom Arad shee and her husband went to the plaine of Zaænaim, and dwele sheep and the plaine of Zaænaim, and dwelt there, neere to a Towne called Kades, a Towne of refuge of the Leuites, in the Tribe of Nephthali, 166 miles, there she killed Sifera. This towne lieth 92 miles from Ierusalem towards the North.

of Deborah and Barak.

DEborah was the wife of Lapidoth, and dwelt under a palme tree between Bethel and Ramath, in mount Ephraim, eight miles from Ierusalem towards the North:the inhabitants thereabouts shew this tree even to this day. Barak the sonne of Abineam 2 noble Captaine, lived in her time at Kades, a citie of refuge belonging to the Leuites. She succeeded Ehud, in An, man, 26;2, and before Christ, 1336, yeares.

The Trauels of Deborah and Barak.

D Arak went first from Kades Naphtaly to the Palme tree, where Deborah dwelt, which are 84 miles,

From thence he went with Deborah backe againe to Kades, which are 84 miles.

From Kades with 10000 men, they went to the hill Thabor, 36 miles. Here (as 10 sephus writeth, lib. antiq. 4.) there fell such a shoure of raine and haile vpon the enemies of the Israelites, that through the extreme violence thereof, they were dispersed: and Sifera their captaine constrained to leave his chariot, and to save himselse by slight, neuer staying till he came to the Tabernacle of Iael, the wife of Hebar the Kenite, scituated in the valley of Zaænaim, 36 miles from the foot of the mountaine Thabor: where being affeep, by reason of his great journey, Tael strooke a naile into the temple of his head, so he died.

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From thench Barak pursued the enemies with great slaughter. to Haraseth of the Gentiles, a Citie in the upper Galile, necre to the lake of Samachoniten, 28 miles. This citie is 80 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, Ioseph. Ant. lib. 5.

From Haraseth, he went to the plaine of Zaznaim, where hee found Sifera flain in the tabernacle of Iael, as Deborah the prophe-

tesse had told him.

From thence Barak with all his armie went to Hazor, where Labin king of the Canaanites kept his court, and of a sudden conquered the citie, and put to death all the inhabitants, Iefeph. Antiq. 186.5.

Of Thabor.

Habor is a round & high hill, scituated upon the borders of the tribes of Islacher and Zabulon, 56 miles from Ierusalem towards the North and extendeth it selfe to the river Kison towards the South, and taketh the name of light or apure aire, being derived of Bo, To goe and come; Tebuah, To bring forth fruit, and Togine light. For this mountaine Thabor, by reason of the puritie of the aire, is wonderfull fertile and fruitfull: There was also a towne at the foot of it called by the same name. Here the kings of the Midianites, Zeba and Zalmuna were flaine by Gideon.

of Hazer.

His is a great citie in the tribe of Nepthali, 80 miles from I Ierusalem towards the North, which toshnah destroyed with fire and fword; fo did Barak alfo: The ruines of this citie is tobe seene to this day.

The Mistery of Deborah.

He word Deborah fignifies, a Bee, and is a memorable type 1 of the Church. For as a Bee in all her actions founded pleasantly; so the members of Gods Church in all their actions fing and found forth the praises of God, or by continuall prayers implore his ayde and affiftants; with the Bee sucking from the floures of the holy Scriptures, the sweet and acceptable doctrine

doctrineof faith, by which the hope of everlasting life is strengthned in vs, with the sting of Gods word repulsing all vaine delusions and idle imaginations, (the temptations of the Diuel) and those waspish affections of cruell and wicked men; according to that of Ecclesiasticus, The Bee is but small, yet bringeth forth most plea. fant fruit, and presentet b unto man many memorable instructions. And as Plato faith, The King of Bees, although without a sting, yet ruleth and coverneth his Commonwealth with great severitie and justice. So Christ the head of the Church, though he be a delectable Sauiour of foules, and without any sting of bitternesse, yet doth bee rule and gouerne it with fingular justice and finceritie.

of Barak.

Fter Deborah was appointed Judge of Israel, shee 'ordained Barak for her chiefe Commander or Captaine. He taketh his name from Thunder and Lightning; typically representing the glory of Christ Iesus, as chiefe Captaine of the Church, who with the thunder of the Law, and the bright shining glory of the Gospell, destroyed the enemies thereof; and by the hosts of Angels and Saints at the end of the World, will cast them downe with thunder and lightning into that bottomlesse pit, there to remaine for euer.

of the travels GIDEON.



Eborah being dead, Zaba and Zalmuna (Kings of the Medianites) cruelly inuaded the Land of Iudæa; but the Lord taking compassion vpon his People, sent them a helper, one GIDEON the sonne of low, of the family

of Abiezer, who was borne at Ophra or Ephron, a Citie in the Tribe of Manasses, not far from Mahanaim on the East side of lordan, some foure and forty miles from Ierusalem towards the North-East; and signifieth, a Rooter out; from GADA, That is, K 2

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Hee hath rooted out. This man at the appointment of the Lord, tooke vpon him the charge of the people, and at Ophra, which fignifies, Duft, he destroied the Idol Baal, pitching up in that place an Alter to the Lord: wherefore he was after called Ieru-Baal, taking that name from Reuenge, because he had destroied the Idol. He began to rule in Israel in the years of the World, 2672, and before Christ 1296.

From Ophra Gideon went to Harad, which standeth in the halfe Tribe of Manasseth, where he blew the Trumpet. From this place he fent back 22000 of his army, because the Lord had so appointed. But the Midianites hearing of this preparation, prouided a great host, and pitched in the valley of the hill Moreh: so Gideon taking onely 300 with him, went ouer Iordan, and came to the towne of Iefrael, (for tofephus faith) 16 miles from Harod, where he gaue the Midianites awonderfull ouerthrow, ludg. 7. hee allo tooke there two princes, oreb and Zeb, and returned to the river Iordan, where he put them to death.

From thence he went to Succoth with his army in expectation to have refreshed themselves, but the inhabitants shut him out of the towne, and gaue him many despightfull words. This towns lay close by Iordan, and here Iacob sometime pitched his Tent.

From thence he went to Penuel, which is two miles, there also they vsed him vnkindly and gaue him bad language.

From thence he went to Nobach with his army, which is two miles.

From thence he went to Iagbetha, which is 4 miles, where he conquered Zaba and Zalmuna, Kings of the Midianites, who this king themselues secure, made no preparation for warre, till they were befieged. This was a memorable battell, and here the two Kings were put to death.

From thence he followed the enemy with a great slaughterto Carkor which is foure miles.

From thence he went backe to Succoth, which is 8 miles:here he put the inhabitants of this Towne to the sword, and all the Elders and Princes he tore to pieces with thornes, because they had formerly denied him entrance into the citic.

The travels of Gedion.

From thence hee went to the Castle of Penuel, which is two miles, and vtterly destroied it, even to the ground, and put all the inhabitants to death because of their mocks.

From thence he went to Ophra, foure miles, where gathering together all the gold which hee had taken from the Midianites. he made a rich Ephod, Iudg. 8.

From Ophra hee went to Sichem, where his sonne Abimalech was borne, which is 10 miles.

From thence he returned backe to Ophra, which is ten miles, and there he died, after he had judged Israel 10 yeares.

So all the trauels of Gedion were 82 miles.

The Description of the Townes and places to which GEDION trauelled.

Of Icfreel.

TEfreel was a faire Citie scituated vpon a hill, neere to the flood Kison, bordering upon the Tribe of Isacher, 48 miles from Ierusalem towards the North; and signifieth the seed of God, being derived from Eland Dara, the feed of the Almighty God. There was another of this name in the tribe of Iuda, Iof. 15. In times past this was onely the seat and chiefe abiding place of the Kings of Israel. For Ahab and Iesabel kept their Court there, and Isram their sonne, whom Iehu ouercame: and here Iesabel was eaten vo ofdogs. Atthisday this faire citie hath in it but thirtie houses; and is called by the inhabitants of the holy land Sanatham, being scituated at the foot of the mountaine Gilboah Westward: in it there is a Watch tower, vpon the top whereof you may see through all Galile to Carmel, and the mountaines of Phænicia, also to mount Thabor, and the mountaines beyond Iordan called Gilead. Of this Towne you may reade, 10f. 17.19. 2 Sam. 2.

of Nobach.

His was a citie beyond Iordan, and stood in the halfe Tribe of Manasses, 38 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward. In times past it was called Kenah, but after, Nobach Prince of the halfe Tribe of Manasseh had conquered it, he called it Nobach, Nam. 23 and fignifieth, a Prophet, being derived of Nabah, or Nabach, he hath prophesied, or cryedout.

Of Togbeha.

His towne was built by the children of Gad, and lies beyond Iordan, 34 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward, and taketh the name from the height of the place where it standeth; being deriued from Gabah, which signifieth, it excelleth in height. Of this you may reade, Iudg. 8. Numb. 32.

Of Karkor.

Arkor is a citic in the halfe Tribe of Manasseh, and is scituated beyond Iordan, some forty miles distant from Ierusalem Northeassward; and taketh the name from Kir, which signifies he hath destroyed, or subverted the walls, for here the two Kings Zeba and Zalmuna were taken. Saint Ierom saith in his booke de lacis Hebraicis, That in his time it was a faire Towne.

The typicall signification of GEDION.

His Gedian (whose name fignifieth to root out) destroied and subverted the enemies of the Iewes: so Christ hath destroied the kingdome of Sathan, and daily rooteth out all his impious and wicked members, which are enemies to his Church.

The Trauels of Abimalech the fixt Iudge of Ifrael.



EDION being dead, Abimalech his sonne went from Ophra to Sichem, which is ten miles, and there was chosen by the citizens to succeed his father in the gouernment.

From thence he went backe to Ophra, which is ten miles, and there put to death his 70 brethren, all somes of Gedien, but by divers concubins; for God permitted Bigamie, but did not command it.

From Ophra he went ten miles into the land of Sichem, and there was chosen King, about the yeare of the World 2712.

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From Sichem (which was the feat of the kingdome) he went to Ophrabeing ten miles; there he iudged Ifrael three yeares.

After that, hee went the third time backe to the Sichemites, which is 10 miles; but they breaking promife with him, for very madnesse he caused the citie to be destroied, and salt to be sowne in the place, that so euer after it might become barren, accurated, and vnhabitable.

From Sichem hee went with his hoast to Thebets or Tebez, which is two miles, where he was mortally wounded by a woman that flang a stone vpon him at the siege of that towne, wherof he

died, Indg. 9.

So all the Trauels of Abimelech were 52 miles,

of Thebez.

This was distant from Sichem two miles Northward, and from Ierusalem 38, it tooke the name from Bitzah, which

fignifieth, a deepe pond.

Abimelech tooke his name from an hereditary king dome, or rather because he obtained the kingdome ouer Israel, after his father; and is as much to say, as, My father is a King; because good Princes differ little from good fathers: for Malach with the Hebrews signifieth a King; Malachah, a Queene, and Malchech, a king dome. So that this name Abimelech properly signifieth, a King, or one that is a sather of his people.

Of the flight of Iotham which was the brother of Abimelech.

I otham signisieth, a perfect and swift man, being derived from Iatham, that is, perfect and swift. This man at such time as Ahimilech put to death the rest of his brethren, to save his life sled to Mount Carizin, where hee propounded the riddle mentioned, Indg. 9. And after, from thence he went to Beerah, where he hid himselfe from the sury of Ahimelech. All this was, 44 miles.

Of Mount Gerizim.

Erizim or Garizim was a mountaine in the kingdome of the Samaritans, and extended it felfe in the longitude as farre as

Iericho neere to mount Hebal. In these two mountains the bles. fings and the curfings were recited, of which more shall be said hereafter; and it taketh the name from the felling down of trees. being derived from Garaz, which fignifieth, to cut or to fel down: here Christ spoke with the Samaritan, John A.

Of Beerah.

D Eerah was a Towne in the Tribe of Iudah, ten miles from Ie-Drusalem Westward. Neere to this Citie Iudas Machabeus fought a memorable battell against Bacchides and others, whom he conquered. It taketh the name from a cleere Well, being deriued of Beer, that is, he hath made cleere.

of Thola the seuenth Iudge of Israel.

Mathe 3 years Hola takes his name from a red morme, or purple colour, which of this mans colour is proper to Princes. Hee succeeded Abimelech in the aule, Hercules gouernment of the Iewes, and began to rule An.man. 2715. Argiucs, (faand 1253 yeares before Christ. His fathers name was Puah of the mous for his aweluelabors) Tribe of Issacher. He dwelt in Samira citie of Mount Ephraim, begantoraign not far from Iericho, twelue miles from Ierusalem towards the North, and there he was buried, as you may see, to sh. 15.

Of lair the eighth Indge of Israel.

In the Bo yeare of this Judge. #1.mun. 2747 and before Christ 1221, Mercules died and Priamus king of Troy began his saigne, which

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Air succeeded Thola, & began his government in the yere of the world,2738, and 1230 yeares before Christ. He took his name from the fingular worth and noble disposition that was in him. This Iair was one of the tribe of Manaffeh, he was lame of both his feet, and was a man of great estimation among the Iewes, for there were thirty Castles and Townes that were called after his name, Indg. 10. Num. 32. Deut. 2. Iof. 13. 1 Chr. 1. Hee dwelt at he lost fortie Kamon a towne in the Tribe of Gilead, some 48 miles from Ie rusalem towards the North-East.

The travels of leptha.

Epthawas borne at Mizpah in the Land of Giliad. and being driven into exile by his brothers, hee fled into the Land of Tob, 48 miles from Ierusalem, Iudg. 11.

From thence he returned to Mizpah, 48 miles, and there was chosen Prince, and began his gouernment Anno mundi, 2760, and before Christ, 1208 yeares, Iudg. 11.

From Mizpah heewent with is army against the Ammonites to the Citie of Aroer, where he put them to flight, which is 26 miles, ludg. 11.

From Aroer he purfued the enemies to Minneth, which is 8 miles Iudg. 11.

From Minneth he went to the plaine of the Vines, which is 24 miles, Indg. 11.

From Abel or the Plaine of the Vines hee went to Mizpah, where he offered his daughter for a facrifice to the Lord, Indg. 11. At that time he and the Ephramites got a memorable battell, in which were flaine 22000, ludg. 12.

Soall the Trauels of Ieptha were 322 miles.

Of the Cities and places mentioned in his Trauels.

of Thob or Teb.

Hob or Tob to which leptha fled, is in the halfe tribe of Ma-I naffes beyond Iordan, not far from the mountain of Antilibanus, 104 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward: this was a very faire and plentifull countrey, and therefore called Thob, being deriued from Thebah which fignifieth, Good and Rare.

of Mizpah. MIzpha was a Citie in land of Gilead in the halfe Tribe of Manasses, 18 miles from Lerusalem Northeastward, and signifieth a Watch-tower, of Zaphah, to looke out. In this towne Gideon dwelt, and after him, Samuel. It was afterward destroied by Inda Macchabeus: you may reade more of it, I Sam. 7. 10. ler. 40.41. Iofh. 8. 1 Reg. 15. 2 Chr. 6. Nehem. 3.

of Areer. His was a citie of the Moabites, beyond Tordan, neere the I river Arnon, and fell to the tribe of Gad, 16/10,12.13. Deut,2. and takes the name from Turpentine, being derived from Arantha is, He hath destroied and rooted out; and was so called, because leg. tha woon a memorable battell neere to this place, Iud. 11. This is often mentioned in the Scriptures. There was another towned this name close by Damascus.

Of Minueth. TN S. Ieroms time (40 yeres after Christ) this towne was called I Menneth of Mercury, which the Syrians call Meni, from Manah to distribute; being a towne of Merchants which disperse their commodities here and there; and stood beyond Iordan in the Tribe of Reuben, 32 miles from Ierusalem toward the East.

Of the Plaine of Vines. Of this you may reade more in the Trauels of Balaam.

Of the death of Ieptha. His Ieptha was a famous Captaine, and from thence took his name; for Iepthach fignifieth, Tomake him an open way with the fword, being derived of Patach, To open, and after hee had judged Israel six yeares, died: the manner of whose death is diversly reported; some say, that because hee performed not his vow effe-Aually, therefore God strooke him with a grieuous vicer, so that as he was passing from citie to citie, in every place he left a member. Others say, that he died in the citie of the Gileadites, and that in memorie of his fingular actions and noble exploits, which by Gods especiall ayd he atchieued, his body was cut into pieces, and into euery citie of Gileada member sent, and there buried; which, as I take it, is the better opinion. 0f

of Ebzan.

Bilan was the tenth ludge of Israel, and succeeded lepthah; he began his gouernment in Anno mundi 2666, and before Christ 1402. He was a Bethlamite of the Tribe of Iudah. and as the Hebrews thinke, Boez, the grandfather of King David. he had thirtie fonnes and thirty daughters, and lived to fee them all married, and tooke them home vnto him into his own family, (which doubtleffe was a great bleffing of God) and from thence tooke his name; for Ibsan, or Abezan, fignifieth, the father of a flocke, or multitude. He lived, dwelt, and was buried in Bethlem Iuda, Iudg. 12.

of Elom.

TN the yeare of the world 2773, and before Christ 1195. Elon In the 5 years the eleuenth Judge of Ifrael began to rule, and dwelt in Aialon of this mans rule the Troin the Tribe of Zabulon, who after he had gouerned ten yeares janwartebedyed, and was buried in the same towne. There was another citie gon, dan munof the same name in the Tribe of Dan, some source miles from Ie- Christ 1190 rusalem towards the VVest; where at the prayer of Ioshua the Sunne Rood Rill.

of Abdon.

Bdon the twelfth Iudge of Ifrael succeeded Elon; and began In the y yeare Atorule Anno mundi 2782, and before Christ 1185. Hee of this mans dwelt in the Tribe of Ephraim in a mountaine of the Ama- taken. lakites,16 miles from Ierusalem Northwards. He ruled full eight yeares and then died, and was buried in Pirithon. Abdon fignifieth, a feruant: for hee was a good Prince, but that in obeying others he lost himselse. This Abdon was a great man, had fortie fonnes, thirtie of which he saw married; and for his greater honour, had his Chariot drawne with 70 Affes: for they vied them as we doe Horses.

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The tranels of Sampson.



Ampson was borne in the city of Zarea, & brought vp in the Tents of Dan and Estahol, Ind. 13. From thence hee went to Timnah, which is twelve miles, there he fell in love with Indah the daughter of a Philistine, Indg. 14.

From Timnah hee went backe to his father to

Zarea, and reuealed his affection; which is 12 miles.

He and his father went back again to Timnah to fee the maid, and by the way as he went hee killed a Lyon; which is twelve miles, Iudg. 14.

From thence he returned back again, which is 12 miles, Iud. 14. Within a while after, Sampson and his friends went agained Timnah, and by the way he found Hony in the Lyon that he had slaine, and gaue it to his friends to eat; and when he came to the Philistines house he propounded the Riddle, whereof you may reade, Iudg. 14. These things hapned in Anno mundi 2791, and be fore Christ 1176, at which time he succeeded Abdon in the ruled the Iewes.

From thence he went to Afcalon a citie of the Philistines, and killed thirtie of their men, and tooke away their garments; which is 24 miles.

From thence he returned backe againe to Timnah, and delius red the Philistines which had vnfolded the Riddle, those change of garments, *Iude*. 14.

From thence (being angry that his wife had disclosed the riddle) he returned to Zarca to his friends, which is 12 miles, Iud. 14.

Within a while after, when his anger was ouer, hee returned backe to his wife to Timnah, which is 12 miles, it being the wheat haruest, and carried with him a Goat, that so hee might be merrie, and be reconciled to her: but her father shut him out of doores (because he had married his wife to another man,) where force he tooke a company of Foxes, and tying them taile to taile, put fire-brands to their tailes, and turned them into the wheat

the Philistines, and they fet fire of all the Wheat and Vines, and Oliues thereabout, *Indg*. 15.

From thence he went to a caue in the rock Eta, and there dwelt, which is 12 miles, Iuag. 15. At the rocke Eta Sampson was bound with two new cords, by the Israelites, and from thence led to Ramah Lehi, which is six miles, where hee killed 1000 Philistines with the jaw bone of an Asse, that he found in the way.

From thence he went to Gaza a citie of the Philiftins, which is

12 miles: here he carried away the gates of the citie.

From Gaza he carried these gates with the posts to the top of a hill neere Hebron, which is 20 miles, Indg. 16.

From Hebron he went to the river Sorecke, where hee dwelt with Dalilah the Harlot, and by her was deceived and taken of the

philistines, which are 12 miles.

Being taken of the Philistines he put out both his cies, and bound him in chains, and led him from thence to Gaza, which is 32 miles: there they brought him into the house of their god Dagon, to make them sport, but he pulled downe the house, & a multitude of them were slaine, where he also died, and was buried in the Sepulchre of Manoah his father, betweene Zerea and Esthaol, 28 miles from Gaza, and almost 20 from Ierusalem towards the West. This was in the yeare of the World 1811, and before Christ, 1157.

Soall the Trauels of Sampson were 240 miles.

The description of the seuerall Townes and places to which SAMPSON travelled.

of Zarea.

This is a city in the tribes of *Iuda* and *Dan*, neere the river Sorcek, and taketh the name from a Cole or Leprofie; being derived of *Sarag*, that is, He was Leaprous: it flood 18 miles from Ierusalem Westward.

of Estbaol.

This was a Towne in the Tribe of Dan, two miles from Zarea, and stood neere the River Sorecke, some 20 miles from Ierusalem towards the West, and taketh the name from a Woman, and Fortitude;

Fortitude; for Isea fignifieth a woman, and El, or Ol, strong, or pow. erfull. Here Sampson was brought up. In S. Ieroms time this was called Asto, not farre from whence Sampson lieth buried.

Of Timnah.
You may reade of this in the trauels of Iudah.

Of Ascalon.

His was a citie of the Philistines, scituated upon the shore of the Mediterranean sea, some 30 miles from Ierusalem Westward, and to this day retainest the sigure of halfe a circle: it taketh the name from an ignominious sire, being derived of Esh and Kalon, an ignominious light.

Of this Towne you may reade in the trauels of Ioshuah.

Of the River Sorek.

His was a very pleasant river, vpon the banke whereof green great plentie of Vines and Palmes, from whence it seement to have taken the name; for Sorek in Hebrew signifieth, a Myrthe branch, which bringeth forth a pleasant berrie whereof excellent Wine is made. It takes the beginning at a fountaine in the tribe of Iuda, some 12 miles from Ierusalem towards the VVest, when there is a very fertile valley, in which Dalilah that betraied Sampson dwelt: and from thence it runneth through the land of the Philistines, and falleth into the Mediterranean sea.

of the rocke Eta.

In this rocke there was a caue wherein Sampson dwelt, as in a strong tower: it stood in the Tribe of Iuda, neere to the river Sorecke, 12 miles from Ierusalem toward the VVest, and seemeth to take the name from Fowles; for before that Sampson inhabited there, a multitude of sowles bred vpon it, and therefore it was called Eta; for Aith signifies, a Fowle. This rocke growing to decay, was repaired againe by Ierobaham that idolatrous King of Israel.

Of Sampson.

Sampson, or Schimpson, according to the Hebrew text, taketh his name from the Sunne: for Schamas in Hebrew signisseth the Sunne, and seemeth to have some affinity with Hercules, which signisseth, The glory of the aire, for what can be said to be the glory of the aire, but the Light of the Sunne, without which it would become exceeding darke? wherefore as some thinke, this sampson was the true Hercules; and those noble exploits that hee did, the Gracians attributed to their Hercules.

The typicall signification of SAMPSON.

TTE typically representeth Christ divers waies; first, in his perfon, hee was a mightie man; fecondly, in his profession, hee was a Nazarite; thirdly, in his calling, he was a Prince and Judge: fourthly, in his manner of liuing, for he went from place to place, to revenge himselfe vpon the enemies of Gods people the children of Israel; and in his death: euen so our Saujour Christ is that strong man, who being mightier than the Diuel, hath difpossession of his tyrannicall jurisdiction over the soules of mankinde; hath taken away those gates of death, by his mercy opening vnto vs the dore of life, that so being set at liberty from that hellish imprisonment, we may be made partakers of everlasting happinesse: he was also a Nazarite euen from his mothers womb. borne and bred there, tying himselfe to a vow of bondage, that we might be made free: he is a Prince for euer, and a Priest after the order of Melchisadeck: during the continuance of his life in this vaile of milery, his chiefest actions were to go from place to place, to teach, to doe good, and to rescue and relieue the poore distressed members of the Church, who lay miserably afflicted vnder the hands of Sathan; healing some, relieuing others, and bringing a third fort into the state of grace: so that as Sampsondelivered the Israelites from the bondage of the Philistins; Christ our Prince and Iudge deliuereth his from the slauerie of Sathan: by his death sauing more soules, than in his life. And therby pulling down the strong buildings (the temptations of Sathan) hath laid them leuel with the ground, that they shall neuer be restored againe, againe. And lastly, after this life ended, he shall be our Prince and ludge, and bring vs to that place of promise prepared for vs in his euerlasting kingdome.

The travels of the Spies of the Danites.



Hortly after the death of Sampson, the Spies of the Da nites went from Zarea and Eastaul to mount Ephraim to the house of Michab, which is 24 miles, Indg. 18.

From thence they went to Lais, which is a hundred

and foure miles, Iudg. 18.

From thence they returned to Zarea and Esthaol, which is 126 miles, Iudg. 18.

So all their trauels were 244 miles.

Of Lais.

Ais was a citie scituated at the foot of mount Libanus, form 104 miles from Ierusalem towards the North; and was some times called Belenus: this, because it stood so farre from aid, was quickly conquered by the Danites, and by them vtterly destroy. ed: it signifieth, a roring or deuouring Lion. But after being n built by the Danites, they called it Dan, and the Canaanites M sem Dan: being deriued of Lascham, which signifieth, a Lion:

The trauels of the Danites.



He army of the Danites went from Zarea and EM haol to Kiriathiearim, and there pitched their tents, which is 16 miles, Iudg. 15.

From thence they went to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micha, and tooke his carued Image and his Leuite from him, which was eight mile,

Indges 15.

From thence they went to Lais, 104 miles. So all the Trauels were 128 miles.

Of Kiriath-jearim.

I Iriath-jearim was a city of the Levits in the tribe of Judayo. on the borders of the tribe of Benjamin, about a mile from Ierusalem Westward. It somtime belonged to the Gibeonites. Iof. 9. and fignifies a city of the defart or woods; beeing derived from Kiriah, which fignifies a city, and Iaar, a wood or Forrest. Here flood the arke of the Conenant, after it had bin in the land of the Philistines seven moneths and stood in the house of Abinadab, whole fon Eliazer (because he was of the family of the Le. nites) by confent of the children of Ifrael was confecrated priest thereof to attend and keep it: here it remained 48 yeares, till Dauid fetched in thence with great ioy 1 Sam. 7. 6 2 Sam. 6.1 Chr. 14. Here Saul was anointed King by Samuel; here the company of the Prophets (that is, the scolers of the Wise) came downe from the more eminent places where the arke of God was, with holy fongs and instruments of musick, and the Spirit of the Lord came vpon saul, and he fung and praised God with them. They called this the Hill of God, because the Arke of the Couenant stood in it, 1 Sam, 10. Here Ionathan the sonne of Saul thrust out a garrison of the Philistimes, which held this towne in subiection, I Sam. 14. Neere to this place was the valley Rephaim or of the Gyants; where David won a memorable battel against the Philistims, and pursued them with great saughter even to the plain of Perizim. 2 Sam. 15.

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The Travels of the Leuite, whose Concubine the Inhabitants of Gibeon most wickedly abused.



His Leuite dwelt in Ramath in mount Ephraim, from whence he went to Bethlehem Iuda, which is 16 miles, to fetch back his concubine, or rather his wife, which was the daughter of a certain citizen in Bethlehem; but a bond seruant not free; fuch they called concubines, because they had

neither the honor to be miferesse of the house, neither could their posterity

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posteritie inherit in lands or goods of their father, although be. fore God they were lawfull wives. *Indg*. 19.

From Bethlehem they returned back again on foot to Ierrifalem, which then was called Iebus, because the Iebusits inhabited

there. Which is 6 miles, Indg. 19.

From thence they went to Gibeah, not far distant from the city Gibeon, where after Saul kept his Royall seat, 1. Sam. 22. Here the Gibeonites abused the Levits concubine. Which was almost 4 miles.

From thence he went home to his own city Ramath in Mount Ephraim, and there cut the dead body of his wife in 12 parts, and fent them throughout all the tribes of Israel. Which is 8 miles.

So all his trauels were 34 miles.

Of Ramath.

His was a city in Mount Ephraim, some 8 miles from Iers salem toward the North, and signifieth a high and lofty Citie; being deriued of Rom, that is, It was high. This towne Bails King of Israel would have fortisted and repaired, after it had bin decayed; but hee was hindred by Benhadad King of the Syriam, that he could not finish what hee had begun. There were many townes and Cities of this name; as Ramoth where Abab dwelt, I Reg. 22. Ramathaim Sophim, or Arimathia, where the prophe Samuel dwelt, I Sam. 1. and there where the Ark of God stood, not far from Gibeah, was called Ramahalso, Indg. 19. There was another Ramath in the tribe of Nepthali, 10s. 19. all of them being so called because they stood upon very high mountains.

The Trauels of the Children of Israel when they fought against the Benjamites.

Rom Mizpah in the land of Gilead, where they appointed to meet (for in the enemies land they could not affemble them felues) the whole army of the Ifraelites went to the Arke of God in Shilo, which was about 48 miles.

From thence they went with their army to Gibeah, where they loft 22000 of their men, which is 2 miles.

From thence they returned to Shilo, and intreated God for aid

which was two miles, Iudg. 20.

From thence they went the fecond time to Gibeah, and entred battell agains with the enemy; but because they trusted in their own strength, therefore in this second expedition there were slain 18000 of their men. Which was two miles, Judg. 20.

From thence the whole Army of the Israelites returned backe again, and before the Lord in Shilo lamented the ouerthrow they had twice sustained, and with earnest prayers implored his ayd, that they might obtain the victorie. Which was 2 miles, Iud. 200.

From thence they returned the third time to Gibeah, & there with great expedition renued the war; & because they trusted in God, and not to their own strength, they put to the sword 25000 of the Benjamits, and won a notable victorie, Iudg. 20. which was 2 miles.

Having taken and burnt the city of Gibeah with fire, they returned backe vnto the town of Shilo, which is two miles: & there before the Lord they began to lament the calamitie of the tribe of Benjamin, faying, Wherefore hath this thing hapned, that one of the Tribes should be rooted out before thee, Iudg. 21.

From thence they went to Iabes in Gilead, and befreged and tooke it, and destroyed it to the ground, which is 52 miles.

From thence they returned back again to Shilo, & with them brought 400 maids, which they gaue to the Benjamites to bee their wives, Indg. 21. Which was 52 miles.

So all the travels of the children of Ifrael were 164 miles.

Of labes.

This was a city in the land of Gilead, 52 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northeast; the inhabitants whereof buried the bones of Saul and Ionathan his son, 1 Sam. 31. it is derived of Iabesh, which signifieth a dry city.

Mere endeth the booke of IVDGES.

The travels of ELIMELECH, and his wife NAOMI.

LIMELECK and his wifewent from Bethlehem Iuda, into the Land of the Moabites, where he died, which is 40 miles.

From thence the returned with her daughter in law Ruth, to Bethlehem Iuda, where Boez married Ruth, which was fortismiles.

So their Trauels were 80 miles.

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The first Booke of SAMVEL.

The Trauels of HANNA, the mother of the Prophet

SAMVEL.

Er husband Elkana and she went from Ramathaim Sophim in mount Ephraim, to Shilo, the house of the Lord, which was 12 miles; where by earnest prayers she obtained of the Lord a sonne, 1 Sam, 1.

From thence shee returned backe againe to Ramathaim So. phim, and there Samuel was borne, I Sam. I, which was 12 miles.

From thence the went to Shilo, to present her some before the Lord, and hee remained therewith Elito serue God all his life, 1 Sam, 1, which is 12. miles.

From Shilo the returned backe agains to her house, and base Elkana a sonne and two daughters more, which is 12 miles.

So all her trauels were 48 miles.

Of Ramathaim Sophim.

This Citie stood in mount Ephraim not far from Lidda and Ioppa, some 16 miles distant from Ierusalem Northeastward; and was sometimes called Ramah. Here Iosph (whose addition was Arimathia) dwelt, that demanded the body of our Sa-

uior to bury in his own fepulchre. It feemeth to be called Ramathaim Sophim(which fignifies, the high places of the prophets) because there was an Academy or publique schoole of Prophets which served for the whole land, in this city. At this day it is called by the name of Ramath, having some affinitie to the antient name Ramah.

How the Arke of God was borne from place to place, after it was won from the children of I frael by the Philifines, I Sam. 4.5.6.

The two sons of Elithe Priest, Hophney and Phiness, carried the Arke of the Lord to Ebenezer, which signifies, the stone ofmy help, which was 42 miles, and is not far from Aphec, some 48 miles from Ierusalem Northward. Here the Arke of God was taken, and Hophney and Phiness died: old Eliasso broke his necke at this time, about the 98 yeare of his age, and the fortieth of his rule; for hee ruled from the time of Sampson until then, I Sam. 4. This hapned Anno mundi 2850, and before Christ III7. The prophet Samuel succeeded him in the government of the church, and ruled 40 yeares.

From Aphecke the Philistines carried it to Asdod or Azotus, and set it in the temple of their god Dagon, but the Idol sel down in the night, & was broken to pieces before the Ark of the Lord, I Sam. 4. which was 160 miles.

From thence to the city Gath, which was 4 miles.

From Gath to the fea town Gaza, 12 miles.

From Gaza to Ekron,32 miles.

From Ekron, they placing it vpon a new cart drawne with two new milch Kine, it was brought back again to Bethsemes, which was 12 miles.

From thence it was caried to Kiriathjearim, and placed in the house of *Abinadab*, where it was kept untill *Dauids* time, who setched it thence to Ierusalem with great joy, about the yere of the world 2900, and before Christ 1068, which was two miles.

So all the while the Arke was from Shilo, it was caried hither and thither some 276 miles.

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¶ Of the Townes and places to which the Arke of the Lord was carried

Of Aphek.

His was a city of Samaria, alotted to the halfe tribe of Manasses, some halfe a mile from Israel toward the South, and 44 miles from Ierusalem Northward. It signifieth an impetuous or violent a & being derived of Aphak, which is as much as, Hee worketh violently, or offereth violence. In this city Benhadad king of the Syrians going from one place to another to hide himselfe, was at length constrained to fly to Ahab King of Israel, to saue his life and crave his aid, 1 Reg. 20.

Of Asdod, Ascalon, and Gaza, you may reade before.

Of Gath.

This was a hauen town scituated vpon the bankes of the Mediterranian sea, distant from Ierusalem 34 miles toward the West. It seemeth to take the name of the aboundance of Vines that grow thereabouts; for Gath signifieth a presse, or such an instrument wherewith grapes are pressed. This was Goliahs country. Here Achis, towhom Danid sled, gouerned, 1 Sam. 21.27. and it is very like that all the Kings of this city were called Achis, as somtime the Emperors of Rome were called Casars. There were other Kings of the Philistines that were also called by this name.

Of Ekron.

This also was a city of the Philistins not far from the Mediterranian sea, and neere to Asdod, some 16 miles from Ierusalem Westward. At this day it is but a smaltown, and called by the name of Accaron, having some affinity with the antient name Ekron. The inhabitants of this towne worshipped Baalzebub for their god. It taketh the name from Extirpation, or such a towne as Penitus distruit, Hath rooted out even the soundation; being derived of Akar, which signifieth, To extirpate.

Of Bethsemes.

This was a city of the Levits in the tribe of Iuda, 10f.15.21.

4 miles from Ierusalem VVestward; and signifies, the house of the Sun. Of this you may reade more before.

The Trauels of the Prophet Samuel.

Samuels mother broughthim from Arimathia to Shilo, being 12 miles, where he was to ferue the Lord God all his life.

From Shilo Samuel went to Mizpa in the land of Gilead; 48 miles. Here Samuel called a congregation, and made a folemn facrifice vnto the Lord, of a fucking lambe; and the Lord at the fame time thundred from heaven, and dispersed the army of the Philistines, so that they fled, 1 Sam. 7.

From Mizpa he went to Arimathia, 56 miles: There he dwelt, and built an altar vnto the Lord, 1 Sam. 7.

From thence he went yearely to Bethel, 16 miles, 1 Sam. 7.

From Bethel hewent to Gilgal, 2 miles, 1 Sam.7.

From Gilgal hewent to Mizpa in the land of Gilead, 36 miles 1 Sam. 7.

From Mizpa he went again to Arimathia, 56 miles. Thither came vnto him the Elders of the children of Israel, desiring him to chuse them a King, 1 Sam. 8.

Therefore he went out of the towne of Arimathia, about 16 miles, to Ramath, which lieth in the land of Ziph not far from Bethlehem Euphrata, and there Samuel anointed Saul the fon of Kish to be their King, 1 Sam. 10.

From Ramath he went to Gilgal, 16 miles. There he offered, and shewed Saul what he should do, 1 Sam. 10.

From Gilgal hee went to Mizpah in the land of Gilead, 36 miles: there Saul by casting of lots was chosen King, 1 Sam. 10.

From Mizpa he returned to Arimathia, 56 miles, 1 Sam. 10. From Arimathia he went to Befeck, about 44 miles, where A-

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doni. Befeck was taken, whose fingers and toes the children of Israel cut off. There Samuel and Saul caused an army of men to iffue out against the children of Ammon, 1 Sam. 11.

From Befecke, Samuel and Saul passed over Iordan to Iabes in Gilead, 16 miles, and there overthrew Nahas King of the Ammonites, and all his host; which done, Samuel said unto the souldiers, Let us now go unto Gileal, and there renew the Kingdome.

From labes in Gilead he went to Gilgal, 36 miles. There Saul

was placed in his Throne royal, I Sam. II.

From Gilgal Samuel went to Arimathia, which is 20 miles.

From Arimathia he went again to Gilgal, 20 miles, and there he sharply rebuked King Saul, because he had offered a Sacrifice contrary to his command, 1 Sam. 13.

From Gilgal he went to Gibeon, 12 miles, 1 Sam. 13.

From Gibeon he went to Arimathia, 12 miles.

From Arimathia he went to Gilgal, 20 miles; there rebuked king Saul, because he did not wholly destroy the Amalekites; and Samuel himselfe hewed the body of Agag King of the Amalekites in pieces, 1 Sam. 16.

From Gilgal he went to Arimathia, 20 miles.

From Arimathia he went to Bethlehem, 16 miles, and there he anointed Dauid King, 1 Sam, 16.

Then he returned again to Arimathia, 16 miles, where he died and was buried, 1 Sam. 28.

So all the trauels of the Prophet Samuel were 364 miles.

Of Arimathia, Mizpa, Ramath, and the rest of the townes mentioned in his Trauels, you may reade before.

The Typicall signification of Samuel.

Samuel is derived of Shemnel, that is, defired of God. And was a Type of God the Father: for as Samuel anointed Danid, so God anointed his beloved Son with the oile of Gladnesse and of the Spirit, Pfal. 45. Efay 61-

The Trauels of King SAVL.

SAVL went from the town of Gibeon to mount Ephraim, four miles, to feek his fathers Affes, in An. Mundi 2870, and before Christ 1908.

From mount Ephraim he passed through the land of Salisa, to the borders of the town of Salem, 12 miles.

From Salem he went to the land of Gemini in the tribe of Ben-

jamin, 16 miles.

From the land of Iemini he went to Rama, 4 miles; there by Samuel he was anointed King, 1 Sam. 10. This town lay not farre from Bethlehem, and close by it lay Rachels graue. There certaine menmet with Saul in the borders of Benjamin at Zelach, and shewed him that his fathers Asses were found, which was about a mile from Ierusalem.

From thence Saul went about two miles to Zilzah; there three men met him (that trauelled to Bethel) and gaue him two loaues of bread, I Sam, 10.

Then he came to the mount of God, which is the town of Kiriath-jearim; there a company of Prophets met him and prophecied; then the spirit of God came vpon Saul, and he began to prophecie: which was about fix miles from Bethlehem.

From Kiriath-jearim he went again to Gibeon, which is foure

miles, 1 Sam. 10.

Then he went again from Gibeon to Gilgal, and there he offered, and Samuel shewed him what he should do: which is 12 miles, 15 am. 10.

From Gilgal hewent to Mizpa in the land of Gilead, 36 miles where he was chosen King.

From Mizpa he went again to Gibeon, 48 miles.

From Gibeon he went to Beseck, 40 miles; there he gathered certain soldiers and led them against Nahas King of the Ammonites, 1 Sam. 11.

From Befeck he went with his army to labes, 16 miles; there he ouerthrew Nahas with all his host.

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From labes in Giliad he went to Gilgal, 36 miles. There he was placed in his princely feat, 1 Sam. 11.

From Gilgal he went to Michmas, 4 miles: there he fent 3000 men out of Ifrael, to his fon Ionathan to Gibeon.

From Michmas hee went to Gilgal with his army, 4 miles, There he offered, for which Samuel rebuked him, I Sam. 13.

From Gilgal hee went to Mount Benjamin, about 12 miles not far from Gibeon.

From Gibeon hee went to Michmas, 8 miles. There Ionathan ouercame the army of the Philistines, 1 Sam. 14.

From Michmas Saul followed the enemy to Ajalon, 12 miles, There he would have flain his fon Ionathan because he had eaten a little hony, I Sam. 14.

From Ajalon he went to Gibeon, 4 miles, where he kept coun From Gibeon he went to the land of the Moabites, 28 miles, which he ouercame, 1 Sam. 14.

From the land of the Moabites hee went into the countrevol Ammonites, 40 miles; which country he ouercame, and tooke in all their towns.

From the land of the Ammonits he went to Gibeon, 60 mile I Sam. 15.

From Gibeon hee went into the land of Edom, or Idumæa (# it is commonly called) 40 miles, and ouercame all the countrey,

From Idumæa he returned again to Gibeon, 40 miles.

From Gibeon he went with an army about 600 miles, to Zola in Armenia, which he ouercame, 1 Sam. 14.

From the kingdome of Zoba hee returned to Gibeon, 600 miles.

After that, he went out against the Philistines, 12 miles, and # the historie sheweth, Saul had wars with the Philistins during his life, I Sam. 14.

From the Philistins he returned again to Gibeon vnto his palace, 12 miles.

From Gibeon he went into the wildernesse of Sur, 1 60 miles; there he ouercame the Amalekites, 1 Sam. 15.

Also he ouercame the whole country, from the town of Pelu-To to the red sea, which is 92 miles.

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From thence he went again into Iury, to the town of Carmel. 140 miles, 1 Sam. 15.

And from thence he went vnto Gilgal, 32 miles. There the prophet Samuel rebuked him, because he did not wholly destroy and confume the Amalekites: and there Samuel hewed the body of Agag King of the Amalekites into small pieces, I Sam. 15.

From Gilgal hewent to Gibeon, 12 miles.

In the 11 years of Saul, An.M. 2881, and before Christ 1807. David being then about 20 yeares of age, was anointed King by Samuel. Within a while after, Saul was vexed with an cuill spirit: then David played vnto him vpon the harpe, by which he was eafed. Soon after he went forth with his Army towards Socho and Asecha, which was some 8 miles distant from Gibeah. There Dauidkilled that famous champion Goliah, 1 Sam. 15.

From thence the Israelites followed the chase of the Philistins to the vally and river Soreck, 4 miles; and thence vnto the gates of their cities, that is, to Ekron, which is eight miles; to Ascalon, 20 miles; * and to Gath, which was 24 miles, all the way putting * From the the Philistins to the sword. So that there died in this fight 30000 place where of them, I Sam. 17.

Dauid killed

Then they returned back again, and spoiled and burnt the Philistines tents, where they found great riches. 24 miles.

From Socho and Aseka he returned again to Gibeon, 8 miles: there the women came out of all places in the town dancing, and with loud voices finging, Saul hath flain athousand, but David ten thousand, I Sam. 18.

From Gibeon he went to Arimathia, 2 miles, minding to kill Dauid; and came to Naioth in Ramoth, where Samuel and Dauid were: but the spirit of God came vpon Saul, and he prophecied, falling downeypon the ground before Samuel and David, all that

day and the night enfuing, 1 Sam. 19. From thence he returned again to Gibeon, 12 miles: there he thought to have killed his fon Ionathan with a speare, because he excused David. There also he caused 85 priests to be put to death because the high priest Abimilech at Nob had given David of the Shew bread to eat, and had deliuered him Goliahs sword, 1 Sam. 21,22.

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From Gibeon he went to the Leviticall towne Nob, 12 miles. where he spared neither man nor woman, yong nor old, no nor the innocent children, but put them all to the fword, and wholly de. seroved the town, 1 Sam. 12.

From the town of Nob he returned to Gibeon, 12 miles.

From Gibeon he went to the wildernes of Moan Southward. 20 miles.

From the wildernesse of Moan hee returned again to Gibeon, 1 Sam. 23. which was 24 miles.

From Gibeon he went to Engedi, where David in a caue cutoff a piece of his garment, which was 24 miles, 1 Sam. 24.

From thence he teturned again to Gibeon, 24 miles.

From Gibeon he went to Ziph, 22 miles, and as he lay afleepe vpon the hill Hachila, David came secretly into the Campe, and took his cup and his speare from his head, and would not kil him I Sam. 26.

From the hill Hachila he returned vnto Gibea, 22 miles.

From thence hee went to fight with the Philistines at mount

Gilboa,40 miles.

From mount Gilboa, having changed his apparell, he wento Endor, which was 4 miles: There he asked counsel of a witch, and the Diuel appeared vnto him in the likenesse of Samuel, r Sam, 28

From thence he returned again to mount Gilboa to the camp 4 miles, and the next day he fought against the Enemy, in which battel his three sonnes were slaine, and hee himselfe put to slight, I Sam. 31.1 Chr. 11.

From mount Gilboa he fled 8 miles to Beth an, where he kill

himselfe, I Sam. 21. 1 Chr. 11.

From thence the body of Saul was brought to labes in Gilead, where it was buried, 2 Sam. 31. 1 Chr. 11.

So all the trauels of Saul were 2428 miles.

The description of the townes and places to which he trauelled.

F Gibea, Salem, Ramath, and Iabes, you may read before, being memorable places to which Abraham, loshuah, and the children of Israel trauelled.

of Bethfaliza.

He land of Salifa, with the city Beth saliza, was scituated in I mount Ephraim 8 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northwest. This was also called Baalsalisa, 2. King. 4. and fignisheth the Trinity, being deriued of Schillesch, to make threefold.

Of Michmas.

His was a citie in mount Ephraim, in the borders of the 1 tribes of Beniamin and Manasses, not far from Iericho, some tenmiles from Ierusalem towards the North. Neere to this Citie, Ionathan and his armor bearer put the armie of the Philistins to flight, 1. Sam. 14. you may read of this towne in Esd. 2. Isa. 10. This was a strong citie of the Moabites, and seemeth to take the name of Kemosch, or Chamos, which was a god which they worshipped in their banquets & meetings for mirth:as Bacchus somtime was among st the Romans. To this Idol Solomon built a temple, 1. Reg. 11. Ier. 48.

Of Zoba.

He Kingdome of Zoba, which Iosephus calleth Sophenam, L was in Armenia, neer to the mountains Antitaurus and Mafius, 600 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, extending it selfe on both sides of the River Euphrates. It was a very large fruitfull and pleasant country, wherein inhabited many Kings. This place Saul conquered, & David retained it, 1 Sam. 14.2 Sam. 7h 8. And fignifies An aspiring Kingdom; being deriued of Zabah, He hath aspired.

of Carmel.

Armel was a City in the tribe of Iudah, scituated in a fertile mountaine some eight miles from Hebron toward the East. but twelve miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest, in the wildernesse of Moan, where that foolish and couetous fellow Nabal dwelt. There is likewise another Towne called by the same name in the tribe of Islacher, not farre from Ptolomais, which is voon the shore of the Mediteranian sea, 64 miles from Ierusalem toward the North, standing upon a promontory which extenden it selse into the Ocean; of which you may reade, Iof. 19. Ier. 46. In this city the Prophets Elias and Elizeus dwelt, who put the Priests of Baal to death in that place, 1 Reg. 18. 2 Reg. 4. Carmel fignifieth Spike or a fertil field bringing forth Vines, herbs, and divers kinds of floures and fruits; and is oft times vsed for a pleafant place, Esay 29.32.37. Ier. 24. There are a sect of Monks that of this mountain are called Carmelits, who built for themselves an Abby there close by the Church of S. Maries, about the yeare of the world 5170, and in the yeare of our Lord 1170.

Of Azekah.

A Zekah and Socho were two townes in the Tribe of Iudal, eight miles from Ierusalem towards the South-west. Of these you may reade before.

of Nobe or Nob.

This was a Citie of the Priests in the Tribe of Benjamin, where Abimelech High-Priest of the Israelites dwelt. Who at such time as Dauid fled from Saul, he gaue him of the Shewbread, and the Sword that he tooke from Goliah. For the which cause Saul commanded sourescore and suc Priests to bee slaine, and the City with all the Inhabitants thereof to bee put to the sword, 1 Sam. cap.22. At this day (as Bernard Brittenbacchus saith) it is called Bethenopolis, and is in the way betweene Ietusalem (from whence it is distant some sixteen miles towards the North-

Northeast) & Dyospolim. It taketh the name from Naba, which signifieth, He hath prophecied. Of this you may read, I Sam. 20. 21,22. and Esay 10.

Of Maon.

His was a town in the wildernesse of Iudæa, some 24 miles from Ierusalem Southward, neere Ziph and Carmel, where saul had besieged Dauid and all his men, and would have either put them to the sword, or taken them captives. But the Philistins on a sudden invaded the land, so that saul was constrained to leave the siege to oppose their incursions. It taketh the name from a fruitfull habitation and a firm and safe mansion, 2 Sam. 23 105.15.

Of Engedi.

This was a castle or town scituated in a mountain neere to the shore of the Dead sea, a little beyond Sodom, six miles from Iesusalem toward the Northeast, and in the tribe of Iudah, 10f. 15. Intimes past it was a fruitfull place both of vines & other fruits: there also grew a kinde of balsam. But Cleopatra in the time of Mark Anthony brought the roots of it into Egypt, and there made a pleasant garden, where now Christians inhabit. There are yet some small stalks here and there of this Balsam to be found upon this hill Engedi, but the Saracens do not regard it, neither dwell any Christians neere to dresse it, so that it groweth to decay. Engedi signifieth the sountaine or well of a Goat or Lambe. These mountains are very high, and of a wonderfull nature; in some places great ragged rocks appearing, in others plain and fruitful vallies: insomuch as they are fearefull and horrible to strangers that behold them.

of Ziph.

This was a Towne in the Defart of Ziph, placed in a certaine mountaine not farre from Hebron, in the Tribe of Iudah, fome 22 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast, 10 st. 15. Vnto this defart neere to this city) David oft times resorted, and at last was betrayed by the inhabitants of this towne. It seemeth that the Towne and Wildernesse tooke that name of the aboundance.

dance of pitch that was found in it; for Zaphath in Hebrew signifieth Pitch.

of Gilboa.

His was a mountain in the tribe of Manasse, neere to Sichem and Apheck, 40 miles from Ierusalem towards the North it extendeth 8 miles to the city Bethfan, and two miles towards the North to mount Hermon. It seems to take the name from the bubling forth or springing vp of water: for the river Kison begins at the foot of this mountain, and divides it self into divers parts vntill it commeth to the hill Hermon, and then it runs into two principal streams, the one passeth toward the East into the sea of Galilee; the other to the West towards Carmel, and so into the Mediterranian sea. There be some that are of opinion, that neither raine nor dew falls voon this hil, because when Saul was slan Danid curfed these mountains, saying, Let neither rain nor dew fill vpon you o yee mountaines of Gilbea, be cause the strong men of Israel win flainethere, 2 Sam. 1. But this was but a figurative speech, where David would expresse the greatnesse of his forrow: for Borchardu the Monke speaking of this mountain, saith, That as he was ascending upon it, there was such a violent showre fell, that he was we through his clothes, and the waters in great aboundance ran into the vallies. And in the yeare of our Lord 1283, fleeping vpon this hill on the Eve of All Saints, there was a great dew fell upon his clothes: onely fome parts of it were very stony and barren, as at many other mountains in that country.

of Endor.

His was a town in the tribe of Manasses, neere the river Kifon, lof. 17. where Saul asked counsell of a witch, 1 Sam. 28. It feemes to take the name from a fountaine of durance; for Det fignifies he hath made sure. It is distant from Ierusalem 44 miles toward the North. In S. Ieroms time this was but a smal village.

Of Bethlan.

His was a city in the Tribe of Manaffes, betweene Bethulia and the sea of Galile, some 44 miles from Ierusalem toward

the North, Iosh. 17. It taketh the name from a Church-yard, or a place of rest: for Beth signifieth, a house; and laschan, he hash sleet. Here Saul killed himselfe, and the Philistines cut off his head and set it upon the wall of this citie. Afterward, about S. Ieroms time, Ptolomie called this Scythopolis. You may reade in the fecond booke of the Macchabes, how it was the towne of the Scythians; for the Scythians which dwelt some 800 miles from Ierufalem towards the North, came with a great army into the Holy land, and by force woon this citie, and dwelt there : of whom it was called the Scythian towne. Ioseph.in lib.2.de Bell. Ind. cap. 18. remembreth a strange accident that hapned neere this towne; for the lewes befieging it, there were of their own nation that dwelt within the city, who (that they might make a private gaine) took wages of the Scythians, to oppose their brethren and countreymen: by which meanes the Scythians got the better. But after a while, the Scythians confidering that the number of the Iewes were great, and fearing some sudden insurrection or innovation. gaue them warning to depart and leaue the towne: they, though with great griefe, as being prest with a two-fold necessity, (their owne wants and the hatred of their kindred) did fo, relying meerely vpon the courtesie of strangers. But about some two dayes after, in the night time the inhabitants of Scythopolis breaking out of the citie vnawarres, fell vpon them, and in recompence of their kindnesse put to the sword some thirteen thoufand: many flaine vnawares, some as they were eating, and most in their sleepe. After they had committed this massacre, they compassed about the wood where they were, took away all their substance, and suffered not a man to depart aliue. Wherefore one Simon the soone of a certaine ancient and noble Citizen, called Saul, perceiving their present miserie, and that there was no hope to escape iminent death and vtter ruine, in a cruell and desperate maner, breakes out into these words: O miserable wretch that I am, that against my owne conscience have lift vp these impious hands against my countrey, committing daily massacres to plealure them, who at this day lay violent hands vpon all wee haue; die therefore, thou that art thus profane, and with thine owne hands make an end of thy wretched life, fince thou doest not deferue.

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ferue to die honourably in the face of the enemy, but wretchedly in a corner, and for thine owne offence. So some as he had ended these words, he turned him about with a fierce countenance, and falling vpon his father, mother, wife, and children, put them all to the fword; after, burnt his goods; and to make an end of the tra. gedy, ran himselse vpon his owne weapon. These things havned but a little besore Vestasian came into the land of Iudæa. At this day this Citie Sythopolis is called after the antient name Bethsan.

The typicall representation of SAVL.

C Aul if it be properly taken, doth sometime fignifie, a Graucon Sepulchre, and sometimes Hell; being derived from Scheuol, which may be taken for both. As therefore Saul persecuted inno. cent David, with an inucterate malice, even vnto the death; so the fonnes of Sathan (euil and wicked men) perfecute Christ and his members, with an immoueable malice, sparing neither Prophen nor Apostles, neither such as are religious, no nor Christ himself but with cruell torments put them to lingering deaths, till they be veterly extyrpate (as they thinke:) and then wanting objects to fatisfie their fauage mindes, they follow their owne diuellin councels, till with Saul they come to desperate ends. Schanl, or Saul, if it be taken in the better part, signifieth, He hath desired or called.

The Philistines travels from their Campe to Michmas.

He Philistines incamped themselues at Michmas, vpon Mount Ephraim, some ten miles from Ierusalem Northward: and out of the Philistines campe there issued three armies to spoile the countrey.

The one marched towards Ophra, and went from Michmasto Salem, 28 miles.

From thence they went to Ophra, 4 miles.

The second went from Michmas to Bethoron, 8 miles.

The third went from Michmas to the valley of Zeboim, eight miles. Soall the Trauels of the Philistines were 58 miles.

The Trauels of Ionathan. of Zoboim.

His valley is not farre from Ierusalem in the Tribe of Benjamin, Nehem. 11.

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The travels of Ionathan, Sauls sonne.

Tonathan went from Gibeah to Kiriath-jearim, which was two miles, where hee draue the Philistines out of their campe, 1 Sam. 12.

From thence he went backe againe, two miles.

From thence hewent to Michmas, which is 8 miles, and there by the helpe of his Armor-bearer he gaue the Philistines a great ouerthrow, I Sam. 14.

From thence hee followed the enemy to Aialon, wich is 12 miles; there his father would have put him to death because he

had tasted a little hony, I Sam. 14. From Aialon Saul and his sonne Ionathan returned to Gibeali

his owne citie, which was two miles.

From Gibeah hee went with his father to Socho and Afecha. which was 8 miles: where after David had flaine Goliah (for that fingular vertue and heroicall spirit which Ionathan saw in him) he loued him as he did his owne foule, and preferred him before his owne life and honour, 1 Sam. 18.

From thence he went with his father to Gibeah, some 8 miles. where women with great mirth & joy met him, faying, Saul hath Saine his thousand, and David his ten thousand for which cause Saul out of meere enuie (for then he did not know that he had been annointed by Samuel) would have flaine him and his fonne Ionathan also for excusing him, 1 Sam. 18,19.

From Gibeah Ionathan went into the defart of Ziph, some 22 miles, to comfort David: there they swore a solemne oath of mutuall friendship, to continue as long as they lived, 1 Sam. 23.

From thence Ionathan returned, which was 22 miles, 1 Sam. 23. At last he went to the wars with his father to mount Gilboah, 40 miles: there he, his father, his brothers Abinadab & Melchifuah Soall the trauels of Ionathan were 126 miles. were slaine. The

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The travels of Abiather, Abimelechs sonne.

Hen Doeg the Idumæan, at the command of Saul, had flaine the Priests of the Lord, this Abiather the son of Abimelech the high Priest, fled to the Wood Hareth, not farre from Kegilah, some 20 miles, and came and told Dauid of all that had hapned, 1. Sam. 22.23

of Kegilah.

This was a Citie in the Tribe of Iuda 4 miles from Hebron towards the East, & 20 from Ierusalem toward the Southwest. From which towne Danid droue away the Philistines that had besieged it, 1 Sam. 23. You may reade of it, 10sh. 23. No. hem. 3. In S. Ieroms time it was but a small towne, where the inhabitants shew to strangers the Sepulchre of Abacuck the Prophet, Not farre off toward the VVest lieth Hareth, that wood when Danid was when Abiather came to him. Kegila in Hebrew significath, a Tent.

The tranels of King Dauid.

Auid was annointed King by Samuel, when he was 20 yers old, Anno mundi 2881, and before Christ 1807. Within a while after, he was sent by his father 1 fay or Iesse, to Gibea, of Saul, which was eight miles; there he played to Saul vpon the Harpe, 1 Sam. 16.

When Saulwent out with his Armie against the Philistins, Deuid returned backe to Bethlehem his owne countrey, which was about eight miles. There he fed his fathers sheep, 1 Sam. 17.

From thence he went to Sochoand Asecha, and killed Goliah, which was four miles.

From thence he carried the head of Goliah to Ierusalem, which was 8 miles.

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From thence hee went with king Saul to Gibcah, which was 4 miles.

From Gibeah he went 12 miles into the land of the Philistins: and to perform the promise which he had made, put to the sword 200 of them.

From thence he returned and brought their forskins vnto Saul, in recompence of which noble exploit he was married to Sauls daughter, which was 12 miles.

A while after he made an incursion vpon the land of the Philistines, and in a sharp and cruell war got a famous victorie, and returned with glory to Gibeah, which was at the least 24 miles.

But when Danid perceived that Saul went about to take away his life, and that (he was so narrowly pursued) he had no way to escape, but to be let down by a cord through a window: he made hast and went from Gibeah to Arimathea, where he complained wnto Samuel of the injuries of Saul, and layd before him in what a miserable condition he was, and to what straits brought. Wherefore Samuel to comfort him brought him to Naioth; which seemeth to be so called, of the faire scituation and pleasantnesse of the place: for Mabah signifies, a laudable and comely place: this was a Colledge of such as were professor of that sacred study of divinity. Now Saul hearing that Dauid was in this place, came with some of his servants on purpose to make him captive. But at the sight of Samuel he began to sing Psalmes and Hymnes after the manner of the Prophets.

From thence David returned back vnto Gibeah, some 12 miles, where at the stone of Ezel (not farre from Gibeah toward the South) Ionathan went to David, & counselled him to depart with all speed, for that his father meant euill towards him. So they tooke leave either of other with teares, 1 Sam. 20. Ezel signifies an Angle, as was a stone sull of angles or corners.

From thence he went to Nob, which was 12 miles.

From thence he went to Gath a citie of the Philistines, where he faigned himselfe mad, because of Achis whom hee feared, I Sam. 21, which was 24 miles.

From thence hee went to the caue of Odullam, which was 24 miles, and thither reforted vnto him many of his kindred, and

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such as were indebted and in danger, to the number of 40 perfons. In this place he wrote the 57 and 142 Psalmes, as may appeare by their titles.

From thence he went to Mizpah, in the land of the Moabites, where at this time the King kept his court; and there he carefully commanded his friends and followers to his fafe protection, till

such time as the sury of Saul was asswaged, I Sam. 22.

From thence by the councell of the Prophet Gadhe returned by the wildernesse of Hareth, to Kegila, and rescued it, 40 miles. Here Abiather the Priess came to him, 1 Sam. 23.

From thence fearing the comming of Saul, hee went into the wildernesse of Ziph, whither Ionathan came to him, I Sam. 22,

which was 4 miles.

From thence he went to the towne of Moan, which was four miles.

From thence he went to the hold of Engedi, which were 36 miles.

From thence hee went fix miles to Carmel in Iudæa, where hee determined to have destroyed Nabal for his churlishnesse, I Sam. 25.

From thence he went to Hackilah, 2 miles.

From Hackilah he went to Gath, where Achis king of the Philiftines kept his court, which was 16 miles. This Achis was very courteous and bountifull minded, he entertained Danid, and game him freely the city of Ziclag to inhabit in, 1 Sam. 27.

Wherefore David went thence to the towne of Ziclag, which was 12 miles, 1 Sam. 27. and there inhabited one yeare and seven

moneths.

From thence David went often towards the South, and made incursions upon the Amalekites, wasting and destroying their land which lay in the Defart of Sur, about 80 miles distant from Ziclag, and a hundred and twenty miles from Ierusalem towards the South-west

From the Defart of Sur he returned backe againe vnto Ziclag which was 80 miles, and fent part of the prey which he had gotten, to the King of the Philistines; of which you may reade more 3 Sam, 27.

From Ziclag Danid went with the army of the Philistines to fight against Saul, 38 miles, enen to Sunem: for the Philistines pitched betweene Iezreel and Sunem, 1 Sam. 28.29.

But because the Princes of the Philistines durst not trust him, therefore by the consent of Achis their King hee returned backe

to Ziclag, 88 miles, 1 Sam. 29.

Whiles David was gone with the Philistines to fight against Israel, the Amalekites inuaded Ziclag, tooke it and burnt it with fire, and carried away Ahinoam and Abigal (Dauids wives) captiues. Wherefore when Dauid came to Ziclag and perceived what had hapned, with all speed pursued the enemy; and in the way as hee went he found an Ægyptian, who a little before, the Amalekits had left there, because he was vnable to follow them. This Ægyptian guided Dauid to the tents of the Amalekits, who fuspecting no such euill, were making merry with the booty that they had taken. But Danid with the rest of his company so manfully behaued themselues, that they gaue the Amalekites a sudden ouerthrow: and as it often hapneth to such as are negligent and carelesse, he tooke away from them their former bootie, and put most of them to the sword. This battell was fought some 8 or 12 miles from Ziclag, as by the circumstance of the history may appeare.

From this flaughter he returned backe to Ziclag, which is 12 miles, and repaired it; to every neighbouring citie fending a part of the prey. Here hee had certaine intelligence of the fuccesse of the Israelites in their wars against the Philistins, and of the death of Saul and Ionathan, which hee bitterly lamented, I Sam. 30. 2 Sam. 1. These things hapned in the 10 years after Samuel had an-

nointed David King.

From Ziclag he went to Hebron a metropolitane Citie of the tribe of Iuda, being a towne of refuge belonging to the Leuites, which was 16 miles.

At this time Dauid was about the age of thirtie yeares, and was annointed King by the Tribe of Iudah, in the yeare of the World 2891, and before Christ 1077. Here he kept his Court seuen yeares and six moneths. From hence also he sent messen gers to Iabes in Gilead, 44 miles, to signishe his gracious acceptance

tance of that fauour which they shewed vnto Saul, in burying of his body there, 2 Sam. 1, 1 Chr. 12.

From Hebron David went to Ierusalem, 22 miles, which then was called Iebus, being possessed of the Iebusites; but he woon it with strong hand, and thrust them out of it; and in mount Sion set up the city Millo, which was after called the city of David, and signifies, A place of plenty. He began his raigne in Ierusalem in the 38 yere of his age, and 7 of his raigne. In this place also he set up his house made of Cedar wood, of which Hyram King of Tyrus sent him great plenty from Mount Libanus, distant from thence, 104 miles, 28 am, 5.1 Chr. 12.

From thence he went to the valley of Rephaim, some 3 miles from Ierusalem in the way that leadeth to the citie of Bethlem, where he fought a memorable fight against the Philistines, and ouercame them; for which cause it was also called Baal-Perizim, because by the helpe and assistance of God he had conquered the army of the Philistines, 1 Sam. 5.

After he had dispersed the enemies, hee returned to Ierusalem

which is 4 miles.

The Philistines came the same yeare into the valley of Rephaim againe, and pitched their tents within three miles and a halfe of serusalem: and the Lord game Danida signe, that when he heard a noyse in the mulberry trees, hee should set upon the enemy; so Danid went forth, and close by the towne of Gæba and Kiriathjearim, about two miles from Ierusalem Westward, he set upon the enemie and gaue them the second ouerthrow, 2 Sam. 5. 1 Chr. 15.

From thence Dauid followed the enemy to Gaza, which was 18 miles, 2 Sam. 5. In the 10 years of his raigne from his first beginning in Hebron. Dauid assembled all the Princes, Priests, and chiefe men of Israel, to the number of 30000, which inhabited from Sechor till you come to Chæmah, a citie of Nepthalie, at the foot of mount Libanus, euen 163 miles off. These men assembled themselues in the citie of Ierusalem, and from thence they with Dauid went to Kiriath-jearim, which was about a mile, to fetch the Arke of the Couenant from thence into the city of David. 1 Sam. 6. 1 Chr. 14.

From Kiriath-jearim David and all his traine returned backe again to Ierusalem, which was about a mile; and they placed the Arke of the Lord in a new carr, and caused it to be drawne with Oxen, which turned out of the way to the threshing floure of Nachen, where Vzarashly and inconsiderately touching the Arke of God, contrary to the Divine Law, was presently slaine by the Lord in the way, and that place was called Pari-VZa, that is, The breach of VZa. For he was not of the Tribe of Aaron, to whom it was only lawfull to touch the Arke, & therfore the Lord strooke him that he died miserably: wherefore Danid being terrified by this example of Gods seueritie, would not that day bring the ark of the Lord into Ierusalem, but carried it to the house of a certaine Nobleman called obed. Ædom a Gittite, who dwelt not far from Ierusalem; but when it was told David, that the Lord blesfed the house of Obed. Ædom and all his family, because the arke was there; Dauid went from Ierusalem with a great multitude of people, to the house of Obed Adom, who (as is faid before) dwelt not farre from Ierusalem, (yet there are some that say he was an excellent musitian in Ierusalem, and dwelt in Mount Acra, that is in the lower citie) and from thence Dauid fetcht the Arke of the Lord into the vpper citie, which flood vpon mount Sion; but I hold the other opinion to be the more probable.

The Trauels of King Dauid.

When the Arke was carried by the Priests, David girt himself with a linnen Ephod, (which kinde of garment the Priests of the inserior order vsed to weare) and danced before it, singing Psalms and hymnes to the praise and glory of God, and with great state brought it to the citie of Ierusalem with the sound of Trumpets and instruments of musick, and placed it in the middle of the Tabernacle, which they had curiously erected in Mount Sion in the vpper citie, which was also called the citie of David. This hapned in the tenth yere of his raigne; at which time, Michal, Sauls daughter despited him in her heart, and laughed at him: but God gaue her a due recompence, as you may reade, 2 Sam. 6. and him a just reward; for he promised by the Prophet Nathan, That of his posteritie and bloud, the King of Kings, and Sauiour of the world

should be borne.

In the yere following, David invaded the land of the Philistins, and

and the citie of Gath, which with strong hand he woon: this was 34 miles from Ierusalem.

From thence he returned backe to Ierusalem, 34 miles.

In the twelfth yere of his raigne he afflicted the Moabits with cruel war, and destroyed two of their armies with the sword, and the rest of the multitude made tributarie; which was 24 miles. 2 Sam. 8,1 Chr. 19.

He returned thence to Ierusalem with great triumph and joy,

24 miles.

In the 13 yeare of his raigne, Anno mundi, 2903, and before Christ, 1065, he made an expedition vnto Zoba, which Iosephus calleth Sophenam, and is in Armenia, neere to Masia or Mount Taurus, 600 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, of which you may reade before. David in this place woon a memorable battell against Hadad Ezer the King thereof, neere to the river Euphrates; he tooke 700 horse and 20000 foot, burnt their chariots, tooke 100 castles, conquered all the Townes and Countrey round about, and went away with a great bootie, as well of Gold as filuer, braffe, and other things; which braffe for the excellencie thereof was like vnto gold, and (as Iosephus faith) afterwards Solomon made the molten lea of it. When Gadarezer King of the Syrians (he that built that famous citie of Damascus) heard of the ouerthrow of Hadad. EZer, hee sent a great army to his aid; which King Danid neere to the river Euphrates imote with the fword, so that 20000 of them were slaine, and he carried awaya glorious victorie, extending his gouernment from lerusalem 600 miles towards the North, that is, into Armenia, and beyond the river Euphrates, and made these two nations tributary vnto him, 2 Sam, 8.1 Chr.19.

After Dauid had woon these 2 memorable victories neere Euphrates, he went thence with all his army towards the South, and inuaded the land of Syria; in which journey Ioram the sonne of Tohi King of Antiochia (which citie at this time was called Hemath) met Dauid with gifts and presents in the name of his Father, returning him many thankes because he had destroied the common enemy Hadad-Ezer, and by strong hand subdued and quelled the furie of that mighty tyrant, who was also a trouble and vexation to the Kingdome of Antiochia. David entertained this message kindly, & thankfully received his gifts, (which was of gold, filuer and fine braffe) and fo gaue Ioram an acceptable dispatch, and from thence with his army went to Damascus, the Metropolitan citie of Syria, where in the valley of falt he got a great victory, in which 18000 Syrians were flaine, and foon after the Citie of Damascus taken; in which David placed a garrison, and compelled them to pay tribute, 2 Sam. 8. This was distant from the kingdome of Soba 520 miles.

From Damascus he went with his army into the land of the Ammonites, 100 miles in the way that leadeth out of Syria to Ierufalem, all which he conquered, and all the cities and townes thereabouts, and compelled them to pay tribute, 2 Sam. 8.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem, which was 60 miles. and all the bootie that he had gotten in his journey he dedicated

vnto the Lord, 2 Sam. 8.

Awhile after, hee with his army made an incursion into the land of Idumæa, and compelled the inhabitants to pay tribute. Moreouer, he destroied the citie of Midian the Metropolitane of that countrey, of which you may reade before: it was distant from Ierusalem 160 miles towards the South. So that the extent of Davids kingdome from the North to the South, was 800 miles, euen from the kingdome of Soba to the Red sea: and from the East to the West 120 miles; from Tyrus and Sydon reaching to Damascus. Thus by the fingular bleffing of God he obtained a spacious and powerfull Empire, 1 Sam. 8. 1 Reg. 11. 1 Chr. 19. Hemade his expedition into Idumæa about the 14 yeare of his raigne.

From Midian in Idumæa, hee returned with great glory and

praise to Ierusalem, which was 160 miles.

In the 14 yere of his raigne, and in the yere of the world 2904, and before Christ 1064, Nahas King of the Ammonites died, and Haron his fonne succeeded him: this man contemptuously abufed the messengers of Danid, 2 Sam. 10. and to justifie that injury he gathered an army out of Soba, Siria, and Mesopotamia, euen a mighty Host, to oppose Danid; who in the 15 years of his gouernment met him with his Armie at Helam, some twenty miles from from Ierusalem where he obtained a notable victorie, and destroied 700 chariots, and 40000 horse, 1 Chr. 20.

Davidafter this, with great applause of the people was entertained into Ierusalem, which was 20 miles distant, where being puft vo with prosperity, he forgat his former pietie and sanctitie. and by degrees fell into vnlawfull actions and vnjust defires: whence it hapned that soone after he committed adulterie with Bathseba. & after that, to hide his fault, caused her husband tobe slaine. This was kept secret, till the Lord by Nathan sharply reprehends him, laies before him what hee was and what his prefent estate is, from whence that came, and then concludes, that he is most vnthankfull, carelesse, and negligent towards God and man, in committing those insolencies; neither left he there, but told him that God would seuerely punish him for his offence, which after hapned as you may reade, 1 Sa. 11.12.14.17. David being nipt in his conscience with this sharpe reprehension; fell into great lamentation the extremitie of whose passions may very well appeare in the poenitentiall Psalmes which at this time and soone after hee wrot, and left to future ages.

After this about the end of Summer he gathered an army, and went into the land of the Ammonites, some 64 miles, where her took the Metropolitan citie, (which at that time was called Rabba, because of the multitude of citizens that were in it; but after being restored by Ptolomeus Philadelphus King of Ægypt, hee called it after his own, Philadelphia) & there took the crowne from the head of the king of the Ammonites, which weighed a Talent of * gold, being (as losephus faith) richly adorned with faire Sardonicke stones, of which you may reade in 2 Sam. 12.

From thence he returned back to Ierusalem, which is 64 miles, tic of weights. Where hee married Bathseba, and by her had foure sonnes, Simeon, Sobab, Nathan, and Solomon, 1 Chr. 3. Soone after this, Ammon defloured his fifter Thamar: not long after that, his fon Absalos killed his brother Ammon, beeing then about 18 yeares of age; which David tooke so hainously, that he would not suffer him to come into his fight for three yeares, 1 Sam. 13. Then Ioab by the subtiltie of the woman of Tekoa, reconciled him to the king his father: yet neuerthelesse, he came not to his court of two yeares

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after. This Absolon was a goodly man, affable, for which cause enen at that time the people began to affect him.

The Trauels of King Dauid.

Afterward in the yeare of the world 2950, and before Christ 1408, Absolon being then about 25 yeares of age, moued sedition against his father. A matter remarkeable, that although he had slaine his owne brother, being disgraced and absent from the Court almost fine yeres, yet within short time after, he so strongly vnited the affection of the people to him, that he constrained Dauid (standing in feare of his greatnesse, all his former acts and worthy victories notwithstanding) to for sake his owne citie, and for fafety to fly to the mount of Olives, beeing three quarters of amile from the citie.

There he staied a while to see the condition of the tumult, but necessitie constrained him to take his way to Bahuzim. And as he was going, Zimri the sonne of Gefa of the house of Saul, cursed him, euery mans enemy then making himselfe apparant when he is in aduersitie, and his best friends commonly for sake him.

From thence hee went to Iordan, 14 miles, where the Priests Ionathan and Ahinaa? brought him certaine intelligence of that wicked and peruerse councell of Achitophel, a man in those times famous for his wisdome, but perfidious in his actions, as commonly such are that hope after honours, or feeke to benefit themselues by innouation and change.

After he had intelligence hereof, hee went ouer Iordan with those few men that he had, & wirh all possible speed went to Bethabara, some 16 miles from Ierusalem toward the North East. At this place Toshuah led the children of Israel through Iordan on drie ground, Tof. 3.4. and here Tobn the Baptist taught, and baptised Christ. Mat. I. & Luke 3.

From thence hee went to Makanaim, which is twentie eight miles, where hee sent forth his army by bands against Absolon, who at this time had affembled a great host neere the Wood Ephraim, not far from that place where Ioshuah woon a memorable bartell against the Canaanites : and that the place might bee made more famous, Davids men, though few in number, gaue Abfalon and his host as great. Thus Absalon being left in danger, to saue himself fled but in his flight the haire of his head being long, and

* How much this was you may read after in the quantiblowne with the wind, tooke hold of the branch of a tree hu which he hanged betweene heaven and earth, as vnworthy of either: and Ioab, who but a little before was his friend, in that yer place with three darts put him to death, a just end for so vnjusta man. I Sam. 18.

David notwithstanding tooke the death of Absolute maruellous heavily, till by Toab he was recalled from that griefe; and then in the company of Barzillai, and of his sonne Chimea, of Mephibo. feth the sonne of Isnathan, and Zeba his servant, Shimei also that before curst him, (who to leave a memorable token of a base Si. cophant) after this victory came first downe to crave pardon for his offence, with many others, went along with him from Maka. naim to Bethabara, which was 28 miles. To this place there came a great multitude of people to meet Danid, 2 Sam. 19. This Barzillai was one of the eighteene that held the principalitie of the citie of the Giliadites, and had a fonne called Chimea, whom Dauid tooke with him to Ierusalem, that he might make eviden his thankefulnesse towards him for that courtesse which he had received of his father.

From Bethabara David passed Iordan, and went backe to Gil-

gal, which was 4 miles, 2 Sam. 19.

From thence he went to Ierusalem, which was 12 miles, in the fame yeare that he was exiled by his sonne, which was about the 13 yeare of his raigne. The next yere Saba the sonne of Bicri, ta king example of Absolon, and observing the mutabilitie of the peoples affections, moued a sedition against David, but Ioab his captain ouercame him, 2 Sam. 20. After this, there followed three yeares of famine. About the end of the third yeare of famine, and in the 24 years of his raigns, Davidwent to labes Gilead, which was 52 miles, to fetch the bones of Saul and Ionathan, to bury them in the sepulchre of his fathers, 2 Sam, 2 I.

From Iabes in Gilead, Danid brought the bones and relickes of King Saul and Ionathan his fonne, to Gibeah of Saul, which was 52 miles, and there he honourably buried them in the Sepulchre of his father K. fb. 2 Sam. 21.

From thence David returned to Ierusalem, which was 4 miles In the 35 yere of his raigne he went forth to fight against the philistines, neer to the Leuiticall towne of Nob, or Nobe, which is 12 miles from Ierusalem, vpon the borders of the countries of the Philistines, in the tribe of Dan.

The Trauels of King Dauid.

From thence he returned backe againe to Ierusalem, which is

12 miles.

So all the Trauels of David were 2904 miles.

The Description of the places to which David travelled.

OF the cities of Socho, Asekah, Gibeon, Gibeah of Saul, Nob, Ziph, Moan, Engædi, Arimathea, Gath, the Caue of Odullam, Kegila, Paran, Apheck, and Makanaim, you may reade before in the trauels of Saul, and the Iudges of Israel.

Of Ziclag.

ZIclag was a towne in the kingdome of Iuda, neere to the ri-uer Befor, 40 miles from Icrusalem towards the Southwest; not far from Gaza, a citie of the Philistines. In Saint Ieroms time itwas but a small towne, I Sam. 27.

of Sur.

QVr is a defart in the wildernesse of Arabia Petræa, extending it Ofelfe from the vemost borders of Iudæa, to the Red Sea, cuen unto Ægypt: and fignifieth, a Bulwarke, or place of defence; and is deriued of Schor, which fignifies, To see, or contemplate : beeause from Bulwarks men may see into neighbouring countries. This was a place of defence of the Ægyptians, Gen. 16.20.25. Ex.15.1 Sam. 15.17.

of Sunem.

His was a city in the tribe of Islacher, 48 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, not farre from Naim, where Christ mised the widowes sonne to life, Luke 7. So did Elizaus the Prophet also, 2 Kings 4. And seemeth to take the name of a Purple or Scarlet colour, being deriued of schanah, which signifies, He hath changed and interated a colour.

of Gazer.

Azer is a towne lying vpon the borders of the Philistines, not farre from Ekron, 16 miles from Ierusalem Eastward. Of this you may reade before.

of Sichor.

The river of Sichor was in the defart of Sur not far from Rhinocura (of which it tooke the name) and runneth thence into the Mediterraneam Sea: from whence also it is called the river of Egypt, 1 Chron. 13. It is 72 miles from Ierusalem Southwestward. Of the Hebrewes it is called Schichor, or Siohor, because of the blacknesse of the water.

Of Bahurim.

Ahurim was a town in the tribe of Benjamin, a mile and some thing more from Ierusalem towards the Northeast. To this place Phaltiel followed his wise Michael, 2 Sam. 3. Here also Shimei cursed David, 2 Sam. 16. At this time it is a faire castle strongly fortified, standing in a high place. Neere unto it in the valley just in the Kings way, there is a stone called Bohen, taking that name of Bohen the sonne of Reuben, and is of an extraordinary greatnesse, shining like unto marble of this you may reade in the 15 of Ioshuah, Bahurim or Bachurim, signifies, A citie of elector, being derived of Bachar, To elect or chuse.

of Dauids name.

David is as much to say as, my deere, my beloned, my chosen one: being derived of Dod, which signifies, a friend, or beloved. For which cause, he was said to be a manaster Gods owne heart-

How Dauid was a type of Christ.

D'auid represented Christ divers waies, First, in his name, (h) was beloved) so God testisses of Christ, This is my below fonne in whom I am well pleased. Secondly, in the place of his birth, he was borue at Bethlem, so was Christ. Thirdly, in his imploy.

ment, he was a shephcard; so was Christ: I am the true Shepheard; for a good Shepheard giveth his life for his Sheepe, &c. Fourthly, in his musicke; David was cunning upon the harp, and by that comforted the afflicted spirit of Saul: so Christ by the musick and harmonie of his doctrine (the glad tydings of faluation) comforteth the afflicted members of his Church. Fiftly, David got his glory and preferment by the death of Goliah: so Christ was glorified by conquering Death and the Diuell. Sixtly, Danid was perfecuted by Saul, and purfued from one place to another, so that he had not where to hide his head with safety; so Christ was persecuted by his own countrymen the Iews, thut out from the fociety of manand as he said, Mat. 8. The Foxes have holes, and the Birds have nests: but the Son of man hath not where to hide his head. Seuenthly, in the dangers that Dauid sustained, by Gods providence he was mercifully deliuered: fo Christ was inclosed and in danger of the Iews at Nazareth, Luke 4. in Ierusalem; in the Temple also, Ioh. 8, but he escaped them al, because then his time was not come, Io. 7.8. Eightly, as Absolon rebelled against David, being his father; so the Iews rebelled against Christ, although hee was their Creator: according to that of Esay 61. I have fed and brought up children, but they haue for saken me. Ninthly, as David fled to Mount Olivet for refuge, being brought to a streight; so Christ vpon Mount Olivet (his heart being prest with an intollerable agonie) fled to his Fatherby praier, for comfort in that extremitie. Tenthly, as all the friends and familiars of David for sooke him at such time as Absolon rebelled against him, and followed him with persecutions, mocks and taunts; fo Christ at such time as Iudas betrayed him into the hands of the Iewes, was forfaken of all his followers, and many of those which a little before he had done good vnto mocked and derided him as he was vpon the Crosse. Lastly, as David was restored, notwithstanding the former miseries and troubles, to his antient glory and eminencie; fo Christ after he had suffeted the due punishment for fin, death, and (before that) extreame miserie; yet at length conquered both, and by his divine power restored himselfe to his former estate, eternall glory.

The Trauels of ABNER, one of Sauls Captaines.

Ee went with King Saul from Gibeah to the Wildernes of Ziph, which was 22 miles. Here he was rebuked by Danid for his negligence.

From thence he returned to Gibeah, 22 miles, 1 Sam. 31.
From thence he trauelled to the hill Gilboa, where Saul killed himselfe, 40 miles.

From thence he went to Machanaim, where he made Ishbosheth (Sauls son) King, who kept his court there seuen years; 16 miles,

2 Sam. 2.

From thence hee went to Gibeon, where hee flew Afahel, 104hi brother, in battell. Which was 44 miles, 2 Sam. 2.

From thence he went ouer Iordan to Bythron, 28 miles.

From thence he went backe to Machanaim, 16 miles, 2 Sam., Lastly, he went thence to Hebron to Dauid, and made a Counant with him, where he was treacherously slain by Ioab: & was

68 miles.

So all the trauels of Abner were 256 miles.

Of Bithron.

B Ithron or Betharan was a town beyond Iordan in the tribed Gad, some 28 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward, lying between Dibon and Iordan. It taketh the name from a Housed singing; beeing derived of Baith, which signifieth a House; and Rom, He sung joyfully.

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The Travels of IOAB.

I OAB Danids Captain was the fon of Zerviah, Danids fifter for the had two, Zerviah and Abogale; Zerviah had Ioab, Abishinand Afael. Abisal had onely Amasa, all which were great moin King Davids time. Now when Ioab heard that Abner had brought downe his army to Gibeon, hee went from Hebronthisher, which was 24 miles: and there his brother Asabel was flain, 2 Sam, 2,

From thence he went to Bethlehem, 16 miles, where he buried his brother, 2 Sam. 2.

From thence he returned to Hebron, 20 miles. Here under the gates of the city he traiterously killed Abner, 2 Sam. 2.

From thence he went with Dauid to Ierusalem, where he won Sion, and draue thence the blinde and the lame, being 82 miles.

From thence he went with his Army against the Ammonites and Syrians, whom he conquered in a cruel fight, 60 miles, 1 Sam. cap. 10.

From thence he returned backe to Ierusalem, 60 miles.

From thence he went with David into Idumea, 160 miles from Ierusalem Southward; there he won the towne of Midian, & conquered the Idumæans or Edomites, 2 Sam. 8.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem with his Army, beeing

160 miles.

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From thence hee went and besieged Rabba the metropolitan city of the Ammonites, beeing 64 miles from Ierusalem North-Eastward. Here Vriah was slain, 2 Sam. 11.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem with K. Dauid, 64 miles From thence he went into the kingdom of Gesur, which lieth beyond Iordan vpon Mount Libanus, by the towne of Cæsarca Philippi, some 80 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward. This countrey was called Trachonites. From this land Ioab brought Absolva again to Ierusalem, 2 Sam. 14.

From thence he returned backe againe with Absolon to Ierusalem, 88 miles.

From thence he went with Dauid (when he fled from his sonne Absolon) to Machanaim, being 44 miles. Not far from hence he slew Absolon, 2 Sam. 18.

From thence he came again with King Dauid to Ierusalem,44 miles, 2 Sam. 10.

From thence he went to Gibeah, where he killed Amasa, which was 4 miles.

From thence he went to the town of Abel-Bethmaacha in the tribe of Nepthali, being about 88 miles. This town he straightly besieged.

From thence he went again to Ierusalem, 88 miles.

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Afterward hewent, as Dauid commanded him, to number the people at Aroer a towne beyond Iordan, which was 24 miles, 2 Sam, 24.

From thence he went to Iaezer, which is 16 miles.

From thence going through the land of Gilead, and passing by the territories of the lower countrey of Hadsi, hee came to the town of Dan, neere to the place where the fountains of Iordan are which is accounted 116 miles.

From thence he went to that famous mart town Sidon, which

was 24 miles.

From that great towne Sidon he went to the walls of Tyre, to which place great multitudes of ships reforted; which was fixe-teene miles.

From thence he went toward the South til he came to the city Beersaba, which was the vtmost bounds of the Holy land Southwestward, and was reckoned 132 miles.

From thence he returned backe to Ierusalem, where he deliuered to David the number of those that were chosen souldiers, 2. Sam, 24. but the Lord strooke the country and city of Ierusalem with a great plague, because hee did contrary to his command, 2 Sam, 24.

So all the trauels of Joab were 1348 miles.

I be description of the places to which be trauelled.

M Any of those cities mentioned in the trauels of loab, are already described and set forth; therefore I account it needlesse in this place agains to repeat them, but only such towness yet have not bin mentioned.

Of Gefur.

Estur was a country necre to Cæsarea Philippi, in the land of Basan beyond Iordan, necre Libanus, in the Tetrarchie Trachonitides, 88 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward. With the King of this country Absolon remained in banishment for 3 yeres space, after he had slain his brother Ammon; and with vs may be termed the vally of Oxen, 2 Sam, 13.

Of Hadsi.

The lower country of Hadfi stood neere to the city Corazin in the halfe tribe of Manasses, 52 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northeast, and signifies a new land; beeing derived of chadasch, that is, New.

Of the fountaine Rogel.

This was neere Ierusalem Eastward; to which place Ionathan and Ahimaas (Dauids intelligencers) brought him newes of Abfalons counfels and intentions, 2 Sam. 17. It seemeth that trauellers viually washed their feet in it, from whence it was called the Wel of feet; beeing derived from Ragal, signifying a Foot. Neere to this place was the stone Zochaleth, where Adoniah (at such time as he affected the kingdome, contrary to his fathers liking) called an assembly and made a great feast, 1 Reg. 1.

The Trauels of Bæna and Rechab.

Hefe two went out of the tribe of Benjamin ouer Iordan to Machanaim, 40 miles. There they murthered their mafter king Ishbosheth in his chamber as he lay vpon his bed, and after cut off his head.

The head they brought to King David to Hebron, 68 miles. But David was not pleased with their treacherie, wherefore hee caused them both to be put to death.

So their trauels were 108 miles.

The Travels of Absalon.

A Bfalon was borne in Hebron, and went with his father to Ierusalem, 22 miles, 2 Sam. 13.

From thence he went to Baalhazor, 8 miles, where hee caused his brother Ammon to be slain.

From thence for feare of his father he fled into the land of Gefur, 88 miles, 2 Sam, 14.

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From thence he came backe with *loab* to Ierusalem, which was 88 miles, 2 Sam, 14.

From thence he went to Hebron, 22 miles, and made himselse King, and rebelled against his father.

From thence he went backe againe to Ierusalem, which is 22 miles. There he lay with his fathers Concubines, 2 5 am. 16.

From thence he pursued his father to Machanaim, 40 miles, & there was hanged by the haire in an oke tree, where *Ioab* put him to death, 2 Sam, 18.

So all the tranels of Absolon were 290 miles.

Of Baal-hazor.

In this city Absolute made a great feast for his sheepe-sherers, and inuited all his brothers to it, where he caused Ammon to be slain, because he had abused his sister Thamar. It lieth in the way some 8 miles from Ierusalem toward the North-East, as you go to Iericho, neere to mount Ephraim, 2 Sam. 13. and is derived of Baal, which signifies a Lord or husband; and Chazir, a Denor caue.

Of the name Absolon.

A BSOLON fignifieth a Father of peace, although he was the author of all discord and sedition against his father.

The Trauels of the wise woman of Thecoa.

His woman went from Thecoa to Ierusalem, 8 miles; and spake with King Dauid; and with her sweet words sheepersuaded him that he would recall his sonne out of exile, who then remained in Gesur, 2 Sam. 14.

Of Thecoa.

Hecoa was a city in the tribe of Iuda, some 8 miles from lerusalem toward the Southeast: neere this city Iosaphat by praiet and the sound of Trumpets, without drawing sword, gota memorable victory; and for that cause it signifies the sound of Trumpet. Trumpet. In this place the prophet Amos dwelt, and there lieth buried, whose sepulchre was to be seene 400 yeares after Christ, as S. Ierom observeth. It was from Bethlem Iuda 6 miles. Neere to Techoa was the lake Aspher, where Ionathan and Simon (Iudas Machabeus brothers) pitcht their tents, I Mach. 9. Of this city you may reade, Ier. 6. Am. 1. 2 Chr. 11.

of ACHITOPHEL.

His perfideous and wicked man was borne in the towne of Gilo, not far from Hebron and Debir in the tribe of Iudah, lof.15.2 Sam.15.20 miles from Ierusalem Southeastward; who when his counsell would not take place, he went home to his own house, and there desperatly hanged himselfe.

The Travels of wicked Shimei,

Shimei went from Bahurim (where he cursed King Dauid) to Bathabara vpon the riuer Iordan, which was 18 miles; where he got pardon of Dauid, 2 Sam. 19.

From thence he went backe with King Danid to Gilgall, foure miles, 2 Sam, 19.

From thence hewent with King David to Ierusalem, 12 miles.

From thence he went to Bahurim, 3 miles.

From Bahurim King Solomon sent for him again to Ierusalem, 3 miles. There he was constrained to build him an house, and not to depart thence upon pain of death, 1 Reg. 2.

But Shimei transgreffing this commandment of the king, went

to Gathacity of the Philistims, 12 miles.

From thence hee returned back againe to Ierusalem, 12 miles, where he was slain by the command of King Solomon, in the third yeare of his reign, 1 Reg. 2.

So all the travels of Shimei were 104 miles.

The Books of Kings and Chronicles.

of ABISHAG the Virgin that lay with David.

His Maid was accounted the fairest in all Israel, for which cause she was brought to Ierusalem for King David, that she might lie with him in his old age to procure heat:she was born at Sunem, a town some 44 miles from Ierusalem, 1 Reg. I. Of Sunem you may read before in the travels of David & Saul,

The Trauels of King Solomon.

olomon the son of David King of Israel entred upon the full gouernment of the kingdome of Ifrael, An.mundi 2931.and before Christ 1037. when he was about 20 yeares old. After, he went from Ierusalem to Gilgal, 4 miles, and there offered vpon the altar which Moses had made, 1000 burnt offerings, 1 Reg. 3.2 Chr. 1.

From thence he went backe to Ierufalem, which was 4 miles, and built a Temple to the Lord in mount Moriah, 1 Reg. 6. This was begun about the fourth yere of his reign, and 480 yeres after the children of Israel came out of Egypt, in the moneth Ziph, which answereth to our May. So that the Temple began to bee built in Anno mundi 2934. and before Christ 1034. To the building whereof Hiram King of Tyre fent Cedartrees from Mount Libanus, 120 miles, to Ierusalem, 1 Reg. 5. 2 Chr. 2. This Temple Solomon within plaited ouer with pure gold, and fet with pretious stones, and finished it in the month of November, about the eleuenth yeare of his reigne, 1 Reg.6. The dedication whereof was about the twelfth yeare of his reigne, and in the 32 yeare of his age, Anno Mundi, 2942, and before Christ, 1026. The Temple

Temple being finished, he began to build his owne house, which was 13 yeares a building, and was finished about the 44 yeare of his age, and in the 24 of his reign, 1 Reg. 7.8.

After 20 years, in which time he had finished the house of the Lord, and his own house in Mount Sion; that he might manifest his thankfulnesse to the King of Tyre, he went to Cabul a city in the tribe of Ashur, some 80 miles Northward, where her gaue to the aforesaid Hiram 20 towns or cities, with al the country round about: wherefore King Hiram called this Cabul, that is, Displeafant and dirty, 2 Reg. 9. You may reade of Cabul, Iof. 19.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem, 88 miles.

From thence he went to Hazor, and restored the city, which was 44 miles.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem, 44 miles.

From thence he went to Megiddo, which is not farre from Iefreel in the tribe of Manasses, 44 miles from Ierusalem toward the North. This city Solomon fortified, 1 Reg. 9. and 10 fiah King of Iuda a long time after was there wounded to death, 2 Reg.g.

From Megiddo he returned to Ierusalem, 44 miles.

After that Pharaoh King of Egypt had conquered Gafer, and destroyed it with fire, hee gaue it to his Daughter the Wife of Solomon, who rebuilt it. This towne was scituated in the tribe of Ephraim, 28 miles from Ierusalem Northward, 1 Reg. 9.

From Gaser Solomon returned backe again to Ierusalem, being

28 miles.

From thence he went to the higher Bethoron, which he fortitied; and stood twenty eight miles from Ierusalem Northward; 2 Chr. 8.

From thence he went to the lower Bethoron, 16 miles from the vpper toward the South, 1 Reg. 9. 2 Chr. 8.

From the lower Bethoron hee went to Ierusalem, which was 3

miles.

After, Solomon built the city Belath, which was 12 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward, 1 Reg. 9.2 Chr. 8.

From thence he returned back to Ierufalem, 12 miles, and it is very like that Solomon often visited those towns that he had built and restored.

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From Ierusalem he went to Hemath (afterward called Antio. chia) which was 320 miles, and compassed it about with awall, fortified it, and afterward constrained all the kingdomes thereabout to be obedient to his gouernment, 2 Chr. 8.

From thence he went with great state into the kingdom of Zolba, which is 600 miles, and fortified all the great cities & castles of that country, that with the greater facility they might oppose the inuasions of neighbouring countries.

From thence hee returned to that famous city Thamar, which was also called the city of the Palmes, 400 miles: this he rebuilt and fortified, 1 Reg. 9, 2 Chr. 8.

From thence he went to Ierusalem, which is 388 miles.

From thence hee went to Ezeongaber neere the Red sea in the countrey of Idumæa, where he built a company of stately ships, and sent them to India to setch gold, which was 176 miles from Ierusalem Southward, 1 Reg. 9.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem, which is 176 miles. But of his great prosperitie and aboundance of riches he grew proud, (for he excelled all the Kings neere him) and gaue himselse to vnlawfull pleasures; he tooke vnto him 300 Concubines, and 70 wives, by whose persuasion he began to worship the gods of the Gentiles, which idolatry was euill in the sight of the Lord. And after he had reigned forty yeares (which was about the sixtieth of his age) he died, and was buried by his father David in Mount Sion the city of David, An. mundi 2770, and before Christ 998.

So all the trauels of Solomon were 2544 miles.

The description of the places to which he tranelled.

Of Gazer you may reade before in the trauels of David.

Of Bethoron.

The vpper and the lower Bethoron were two Cities in the tribe of Ephraim, built by Saarah the daughter of Ephraim, a Chron. 7. The inferiour Bethoron was not faire from the Castle

of Emmaus, 8 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northwest. The superior was 20 miles distant toward the North. These towns Solumon repaired. Neere to the lower Bethoron the Lord put the enemies of Ioshuah to slight with thunder and haile, Ios. 10. Here also Indas Machabens ouercame the army of Antiochus 1 Mac. 3. Here also he put Nicanor to death, 1 Mac. 7. and signifieth A white house; being derived of Beth, which signifies an house; and Chor, he hath made white.

Of Baalath.

This is a city twelue miles from Ierusalem Northwestward, in the tribe of Dan. This city Solomon repaired at such time as he fell in loue with many women: from whence it seemeth to take his name: for Baaleth signifieth, his beloued Lady.

Of Thamar. Hamar, Tadmor, or Palmira, stood partly in the defart of Si-1 ria, and partly in a fruitfull foile; being compassed about on theone fide with a Wood, on the other with faire and pleasant fields. It was the Metropolitan city of all Syria, not farre from Euphrates, some 388 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward; and as Pliny faith, lib. 5. cap. 25. Although it lay betwixt two mighty Empires, Rome and Parthia, yet it was subject to neither, fairely scituated, a free city, adorned with fair and sumptuous buildings, and contented with their own gouernment. The wilderneffes called after this towns name/Palmarnæ, or the defarts of the Palms, extend themselues to Petra the metropolitan city of Arabia Petræa, and to the borders of Arabia fœlix, one daies journey from Euphrates, two from the vpper part of Syria, and fix from Baby-100, as to sephus observeth, Antiq.lib. 8. cap. 5. This city Solomon made tributary to him, and fortified it with strong walls, 1 Reg. 9.

Of Ezeongaber you may reade before.

The Typicall fignification of Solomon.

Solomon is as much as frederick in high-Dutch, which fignifieth a Peace-maker; being derived of the Hebrew word Sche-

Schelomoh, or Schalom to bring glad tydings of peace. Typically representing Christ the Prince of peace, who hath reconciled vs with his heavenly Father, and merited an eternall place of peace and happinesse for all such as trust in him, Esay 9. And as Solomon built up the Temple of the Lord with great majestie and glorie, so Christ hath built up that heavenly Temple the Church of God, and adorned it with the gifts and graces of his holy Spirit, in this world, that so it might be capable of eternall glory in the world to come, 2 Cor. 6.

The Trauels of Solomons Ships.

His Navy of Solomons went vnto Ophir, that is India, which was accounted from the Mart town 4800 miles.

From India they returned backe again, 4800 miles: so all their trauels were 9600 miles.

This journy was finished in 3 yeares to and again; so that euerie yeare they went 3 200 miles, and brought home plenty of gold filuer, pretious stones, Ebony, &c.

Of India.

Moses called this country Havilah, Gen. 2. and Iof. li. Antiq. 8.
c. 7. Ophir: which name (saith he) it took of two brothers so called, which inhabited and gouerned that country all along the river Ganges. But more modern writers derive it from Indus ariver passing through it. It is a spatious and fruitfull country, pleafant to inhabit; and as Pomponius saith, hath in it 5000 cities, being divided into two parts, the outward and inward.

The Trauels of the Queene of Saba.

From Ierusalem she returned backe again, which was 964 miles.

So all her trauels were 1928 miles.

Of Athiopia.

This Countrey by the Hebrewes is called Chus, of Chus the fon of Cham, who was the fon of Noah and after, Æthiopia, (ab aftutorrida) because of the great heate wherewith oftentimes the habitable land and people, as also the wildernesse were forely scorched and burned: for it is scituated in the third part of the world called Africa, lying under the torrid Zone, and the Æquator, which two by common experience are sound to bee extreme hot.

of Saba.

CAba is a metropolitan city in Ethiopia, lying beyond Egypt, 0846 miles from Ierusalem towards the South: and tooke the name from a certain pretious stone called Achates, wherin might plainly be discerned in certain distinct colors, the rising of fountains, the chanels of rivers, high mountains, and somtimes of chariots and horses drawing them. It is reported, That Pyrrhus King of the Epirots had one of them, wherein was lively represented thenine Muses, and Apollo playing on the Viol, portrayed by naturall staines and colours, so artificially, as if they had bin don by fome curious workman. Of this stone you may reade more in Plim,li.37. ca. 1. 10. It was first found in Achates a river of Sicilia, whence it tooke the name. Afterward in India and Phrygia, and of the Hebrewes was called Schaba or Saba. In this city that Queen dwelt who came to heare Solomons wisedom, and gaue him for a present 120 talents of pure gold, which at 3 pounds an ounce comes to 270000 pounds sterling. Afterwards Camby ses King of Persia ouercame it and all the country round about it, and after his fifters name called it Meroes. It is a flately city to this day, scituated in a plain country, and compassed about with the river Nilus like an Island, being now called Elsaba, having some affinitie to the antient name Saba.

The Inhabitants of this towne goe naked, all but their priny parts, which they couer either with Silke, Cotton, or some more costly matter; and are of a blacke colour, which as some thinke,

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hapneth by reason of the extreme heat. The land also is maruel. Iously scortched, and turned in many places to sand and dust. So that the country is thereby wonderful! barren.

About Meroes or Saba, which is made fruitful by the inundation of Nilus, there is found plenty of falt, braffe, yron, and some pretious stones. Their sheep, goats, oxen, and other cattell are of lesse stature than in other Countries. Their dogs are very sierce and cruell.

In times past there were mighty princes that had the gouerned ment and command of it, and the Country round about it. But after (as Pliny saith, lib. 6. cap. 29.) it was in the jurisdiction and gouernment of Queenes, who for their noble resolutions & courage were called Candaces. One of which name in Tiberius the Emperours time was samous, both for the extent of her dominions (in which she exceeded all the rest of her predecessors) as also in regard of her manly presence and noble spirit. The Eunuch which Philip baptised, Acts 8. was Treasurer or Chamberlains this Queene: and it is to be thought, By him the doctrine of the Gospell of Christ was first made knowne in Saba, and in the countrey of Æthiopia; which afterwards was more largely propagated and dispersed by the Evangelist S. Mathew, who taught there.

This city lieth to the longitude of 61 degrees and 30 scruples, & in the elevation of the Pole Artick to the latitude 16 degrees and 25 scruples. So that it seems the inhabitants have two winters & two summers, or rather a continual summer, because their winter is much hotter than our summer. But when the Sunneataineth to the 15 degree of Taurus and Leo, and in the Dog daies, it then lies perpendicular over that country, and neither their bodies nor houses give any shadowes.

In the 61 of Esay it is said, They shall come from Saba, and bring gold of frankincense topraise the Lord. From whence some some have concluded, That those wise men which came vnto the childe Iesus, and brought Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh, were Æthiopians, and came thence. But this agreeth not well with the words of Mathew, ca. 2. where it is written, That the wise men came out of the East, that is, from the rising of the Sun, to Ierusalem. For

Saba

Saba, according to our Sauiors words, Mat. 12. lieth towards the South; for he faith, The Queen of the South (that is, of Saba) shall come forth in the day of Iudgement against this generation, and condemne it, for she came from the end of the world to heare the wisedome of Solomon, &c. But if Saba lie vpon the South, as here it plainely appeareth, then it must needs follow they came not thence, but rather from Persia, which from Ierusalem lies Eastward. For at Susathemetropolis of that country, there was an Academy for the whole kingdom; in which were chiefly studied Divinity, the Mathematickes, and History. So that it is likely, by their Art they might attain to the knowledge of this divine Mysterie, and from thence come to Ierusalem, which was 520 miles Eastward. Therfore this place of the Prophet Esay is rather to be referred to the propagation of the church through the whole world, where some of every nation shall bring presents vnto the Lord.

There is also another Saba in Arabia Fælix, so called from Zaba the son of Chus, the son of Cham, the sonne of Noah; and it is distant from Ierusalem 1248 miles toward the Southeast. In Hebrew it signifies the city of Drunkennesse, or of Mirth; but with the Syrians, Antiquitie. Some would have it in the Arabian tongue to signifie a Mysterie. But S. Ierom interprets it, To sound their conversion. It is the metropolitan City of Arabia Fælix, and by Strabo, lib. 6. called Meriaba, being scituated in a high and pleasant mountain full of fruitfull trees.

There inhabiteth in it the King of that countrey (a mightie Prince) his Gouernors, and most of such as haue authority under him. The land is called the Kingdome of the Sabæans, but generally, Arabia Fælix, because of the fertilitie of the place; for it yeeldeth twice euery yeare great plenty of Frankincense, Myrrh, Cinnamon, Balsam, and other odoriferous herbs. The tree out of which this Myrrh commeth is siue cubits high, hairy, and full of prickles, and when you cut the barke there commeth forth a bitter gumme, wherewith if you anoint a dead body, it will continue long without rotting. The frankincense also that is found there, droppeth from Cedar trees like a glewie substance, and so congealeth into a Gum. This happeneth twice euery years, and

according vnto the season it changeth colour: in the Spring it is red, in the Summer white. This is the best Frankincense in all A. rabia Fœlix. Through the whole country there is a very delecta. ble smell, by reason of the Myrrh, Frankincense and Cinnamon that is found in it; infomuch that if the winde blowes amongst the trees it carrieth the smell vnto the red sea, and they that saile can easily discerne the sweetnesse of the aire. There is gold also found there, very fine and pure, infomuch as for the goodnesse of it, it is called Arabian gold. The Phænix is found there, of which there is but one in the world. Pliny, lib. 9. cap. 35. describes her to be as big as an Eagle, with a lift of feathers like gold about her necke, the rest are of a purple colour; therefore from Phoenicea and the purple colour of her wings shee is called Phoenix. Shee hath a tuft of feathers upon her head like unto a crowne. Sheeliueth 660 yeares, at the end of which time she buildeth her anes of Cassia, Cinnamon, Calamus, and other pretious Gummes and herbs, which the Sun by the extremitie of the heate and the wa uing of her wings fires; and the taking delight in the sweetnesse of the fauor, houers fo long ouer it, that she burnes her selfe in her owne nest. Within a while after, out of the marrow of her bones. and the ashes of her body, there groweth a worme, which by lit tle and little increaseth to some bignesse, and after to a purple bird. Then her wings extend them selves to a full greatnesse, till fuch time as the commeth to be a perfect Phoenix.

This Bird doth lively represent our Saviour Christ, who only and alone is the true Messiah, and through whom we must expect everlasting life, who in the fulnesse of time offered himself a Sacrisice vpon the Crosse, sustaining the punishment for sin at the time of his Passion, putting on a purple robe, being all besprinkled with his owne bloud, 10h.19. And as the Phoenix is burnt in her owne nest, so likewise was hee consumed in the fire of Gods wrath, according to that in the 22 Psal. My heart is become likemilting wax in the middest of my body. And as the Phoenix of it selse begetteth another of the same kinde; so Christ by the power of his Deitie raised up his body from the dust of the earth, and as cended up into heaven a glorious body, to sit at the right hand

of his father in that euerlasting Kingdome of glory.

Thus (gentle Reader) I thought fit to describe vnto you these two townes, that when you shall reade of them in the holy Scripture (the one being in Æthiopia towards the South, the other in Arabia Falix, and called Seba) you might discerne the one from the other: of both which there is mention in the 72 Pfalme, The Kings of the Sea and of the Isles shall bring presents; the Kings of Saba, and Seba, shall give gifts.

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The Trauels of King Pharaoh out of Agypt, when he ouercame the Towne of Gazer, 1 Reg. 9.

In the 16 yeare of King David, Annomundi, 2906, and before Christ, 1602, Chabreus King of Egypt, began to raigne, and raigned 56 yeares, Diod. lib. 2. cap. 2. Herodotus calleth this man Chephrines, in his second booke; and Eusebius, Nepher Cherres. He went from Memphis the chiefe Citie of Egypt, with a great armie, 268 miles, even vnto the tribe of Ephraim, and there tooke Gazer, a Citie of the Leuites, and burned it with fire, 1 Reg. 8. 10.1.

After he came to Ierusalem, which was 28 miles. And this city which he had thus destroied he gaue to his daughter, the wife of Solomon, 1 Reg. 9.

From thence he returned to Memphis in Ægypt, 244 miles. Soall the Trauels of King Pharaoh were 244 miles.

of Memphis.

MEmphis is a great city in Egypt, where commonly the kings of that country keepe their Courts; and lyeth from Ierusalem 244 miles South westward. This citie was built a little before the floud, but repaired and enlarged by a king called Ogdos, who in loue of his daughter (after her name) called it Memphis. You may reade of it in the ninth of Hosea, called there by the name of Moph; for thus he saith, The people of Israel are gone out

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of the land of Ephraim, because of their Idolatrie, into Agypt : but A. gypt shall gather them up, & Moph (that is, Memphis) shall bury them. Moph, or Mapheth in this place fignifieth, A prodigious wonder; but the rest of the Prophets call it Noph, for the fertilitie & plea. fantnes of the country, as you may reade, Efa.19. The Princes of the Zoan are become foolish, and the Princes of Noph (or of Memphis) are deceined. See also Ierem. 2.44.46. Ezech. 30. in which places you may find it called after this name. Zoan is the citie Tanis, where Moses wrought all his miracles: But Noph, or Moph, is this Memphis; a beautifull towne, large and spacious, scituated in the strongest and profitablest place in Ægypt; divided into two parts by the river Nilus, so that any kind of commodities or merchandife might with case bee brount thither by water : for which cause the kings of that countrie (for the most part) kept their abiding there. Strabo faith lib. 17. That vpon the East part of this citie there standeth a Tower or Castle called Babylon, built by certaine Babylonians, who leaving their owne countrey, by the permissions of the kings of Egipt dwelt there: in after times there was placed a garrison in it, one of the three which were for the defence of Ægypt, and by Ptolomy was called Babilon, through both which, viz. Memphis and Babilon, Nilus paffed, the one standing vpon the East side, the other vpon the West. Zoan or Tanis stool about some soure miles from this towne, and was a faire & space ous citie also, scituated towards the South vpon the East side of Nilus, to which the kings of that country often reforted, and He liopolis, another faire citie, stood some six miles off that towards the Northeast. All these foure townes were so wonderfully inhabited (by reason of their pleasant & profitable scituation) that in processe of time they become all one citie; and in this age is called Alcaire, containing in circuit 60 miles: fo that it seemetho spectators to be like a country replenished with nothing but fair houses, goodly churches, & strong towers; exceeding all the rest of the cities of Egypt, aswell for the beautifulnesse of the place, as the extent and largenesse of it. It is reported, that in the yeare of our Lord 1476, there was such an extreme pestilence in it, that there died 20000a day, from whence may be gathered, how inh nitely it is peopled. Neere to this towne stood the Pyramides,

which are held to he one of the wonders of the World (as Strabo faith, lib. 17.) the height of one of them was 625 foot, and fquare on each fide 883 foot; it was twentie yeares a building, a hundred thousand workemen emploied about it : whence it may be easily gathered, how hard and difficult it was in those times to get stone (it being for the most part brought from Arabia) and at what an excessive charge they were that set vp them.

The travels of Hadad King of Idumaa.

of Gazar.

This Citie is described in the Travels of Solomon.

The Trauels of Hadad King of Idumaa.

Hen David conquered Idumæa, Hadad the King of that country with some few of his courtiers, being then but young, fled from Midian to Paran the Metropolitan Citie of Arabia Petraa, which was 84 miles, 1 Reg. 11.

. But because he thought himselse scarce safe in that place, he fled thence to Cheepes, that impious and tyrannicall King of Ægypt that built the greatest of the three Pyramides at Memphis. He(hating King Danid) gaue him kinde entertainment, affigned him a part of the Kingdome of Ægypt to dwell in, and after married him with his fifter Tachpenes, by whom he had a fonne called Genubath, who was brought up in Pharachs, or King Chepes court, where he continued all the life of David, being 27 yeares; which Was 120 miles.

David being dead, he returned into his own kingdome of Idumæa, which was 200 miles.

From thence hee went to Damascus, which was 240 miles, where he was created King of the Syrians by Reson and other fugiriues, which had conspired against Solomon, by which meanes hegrieuously troubled that Kingdome, and became anytter enemie to the Israelites all the life of Solomon. And of him is the originall and stocke of the Kings of Syria. So all the trauels of Hadad were 644 miles.

Of Midian and Paran you may reade before: in the one dwelf Iethro, Moses father in law; in the other Ishmael, that being the chiefe city of his dominions, as you may reade, Gen. 21. Ex. 2,

of Reson, Solomons adversarie.

Fter David had conquered Hadad Ezer king of Zoba, Reson his chiefe captaine gathered up his dispersed souldiers of his army and fled from him to Damascus, which was 120 miles. and besieged it: the Citizens whereof (when neither David nor Solomon could suppresse his rebellion) entertained him for their King, which principalitie he held.

The Trauels of the Kings of Israel; and first of IEROBOAM.

His man was the fonne of Nebat, and borne at a towne called Zared, not far from Bethlehem Ephrata; some eight miles from Ierusalem: from whence hee came to Solomon, who made him captaine, that he might collect the tribute of Manal. fes and Ephraim, 1 Reg. 11 which was eight miles.

From Ierusalem as he went to Shilo (which was foure miles) he met the Prophet Ahijah the Shilonite, who told him thathe should be King of Israel, 1 Reg. 11.

From thence he went to Memphis in Ægipt, which was 224 miles, (because Solomon sought his life) where he remained with Sesak king of Ægypt, all the life of Solomon. Eusebien calleth this King Osochores, who that same yeare succeeded Macrenius (Solomons father in law) in that gouernment.

From thence hee returned to the towne of Sichem in Ifrael, which was 280 miles, where the Israelites made him chiefe captaine, against Rehoboam, Solomons sonne. Wherefore Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, began to raigne over Israel, An. mundi, 2971, and before Christ,997, and raigned 22 yeares, 1 Reg. 12. His first seat was at Sichem, which he repaired and enlarged.

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From Sichem (in the first yeare of his raigne) hee went to Penuell, and there fet vp many faire buildings, which was twelue miles, 1 Reg. 12.

From Penuel he went 24 miles to the towne of Bethel, where he caused a golden Calse to be set up, for the people to worship.

From thence he went to Thirza, which is 16 miles. This citie he built, and there kept his court, 1 Reg. 14.

From thence he went to the mount Zemaraim, which is mount Ephraim, 18 miles; where he had a great battell with Abia king of Iuda, and lost 500000 of his fouldiers, all chosen men of II. rael, 2 Chr. 13. verse 17.

Having lost this battell, with all possible speed that he could, went thence to Thirza, which is 18 miles: there the Lord strucke him with a grieuous disease that hee died miserably, I Reg. 14. 2 Chr. 13. So all the Trauels of Ieroboam first King of Israel were 623 miles.

> The Description of the townes and places to which IEROBOAM travelled.

> > of Zemeraim?

His was a certaine Plaine in mount Ephraim, eight miles from Ierusalem towards the North, neere to the towne of Bethel in the Tribe of Manasses: for mount Ephraim is divided into divers parts and Tribes. It seemeth to take the name of certaine trees that abound neere that place, whereon cotton wooll groweth: for Zamar signifieth, Wooll, which by little and little, vpon such trees doth increase and grow to perfection.

Of Thirza.

His was a faire and beautifull citie, scituated in a high and pleasant mountaine, in the Tribe of Manasses, some twenty fouremiles from Ierusalem towards the North. In this place, the kings of Israel vsed to keep their courts, vntill Samaria was built. It was so called because of the excellencie and delectablenesse of the place: for Thirza doth denote, An acceptable and thankfull citie; being derived of RaZab, he receiveth thankfully.

Of the yeares of the iniquitie of Israel.

The yeares of the iniquitie of Israel (mentioned in Ezek.4.) is to be accounted from that day wherin Ieroboam first erected the golden Calues: wherefore the greatest part of the first yeare of the iniquitie, agreeth with the second yeare of Ieroboams raign. From whence may be gathered, that from that time, till the destruction of Ierusalem by Nabuchadnezzar, were 390 yeares sull ended.

of Ieroboams wife Queene of Israel.

Hee went from Thirzo to Zilo, which was about 24 miles; there she asked counsell of Abijam the Prophet, concerning her son Abia, for he was sicke: but he told her heavie tidings, 1 Reg. 14.7.

Wherefore being pensiue and troubled in her mind, she returned backe againe to her husband to Thirzo, which was 24 miles, 1 Rec. 14. So these two journies were 48 miles.

The journey of the man of God which came out of Iuda.

His man of God (as Iosephus writeth, lib. Ant. 8.) came from Ierusalem to Bethel, which was eight miles; and was called by the name of Iadon, which signifieth, the Iudge of the Lord. When he came thither, he reproued Ieroboam with an extraordinary spirit: of whom you may reade more, 1 Reg. 13. But being deceived, as he was returning a Lyon met him in the way, where he was slaine, and after buried in a sepulchre in Bethel.

The Travels of NADAB, the second King of Israel.

Adab, or Bonifacias succeeded his father Ieroboam in the Kingdome of Israel, and was annointed while hee was yet living; a liberall and free-hearted Prince. Hee began to raigne in the second yeare of Asa King of Iuda, Anno mundi 2992, and before Christ 977. Hee raigned during the

life of his father a yeare and somewhat more: but when hee had raigned two yeares, hee went from Thirza with a great army, to the citie of Gibithon, which was 36 miles: this towne he besteged very straitly, but at length was slaine by one of his captaines called Baefa; so he lost both his life and kingdome in that place, 1 Reg. 15.

of Gibithon.

This was a citie of the Leuites in the Tribe of Dan, not farre from Ekron in the land of the Philistines, 16 miles from lerufalem towards the West, and signifieth, a Royall or losting ist.

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The Travels of Baela King of Israel.

Aefa is as much to fay, as, An industrous and prome man in doing any thing. This may having staine his Master Nadab neere vnto Gibithon, vsurped vpon the Kingdome of Israel about the end of the third yearo of Afa King of Iuda, and began his raigne Anno mundi 2992, before Christ, 974, and raigned ouer Israel almost 24 yeares, two of which he raigned with his sonne, I Reg. 15. He went from Gibithon to Thirza, 36 miles, where hee witterly rooted out the whole stocke and family of Ieroboam. After, falling into Idolatrie hewas sharply reprehended for it by Iehu the Prophet the son of Hanani; of whom you may reade more, I Reg. 15.

From Thirza he went to Ramah, which is 16 miles, this towne

he built and fortified it very strongly, 2 Chr. 29.

But when he heard that Benhadad King of Syria had inuaded Israel, hee left his building at Ramah, and with all possible speed that hee could went to Thirza, where hee died and was buried, 1 Reg. 15.2 Chr. 16.

So all the Trauels of Baefa were 68 miles.

Of Ramah.
Of this Citie you may reade before.

of Ella or Elah King of Ifrael.

Lab fignifies, a cruell man. This was the fon of Baasha King of Israel, who was crowned King (his father yet living) about the beginning of the 26 years of Asa king of Iuda, at fuch time as Benhadad king of Syria inuaded and wasted Galilee. He raigned two yeares, one of them during the life of his father. the other alone in Thirza, at the end of which hee was slaine by Simri his feruant, 1 Reg. 15.16.

Of Zimri King of Ifrael.

[Imri fignifieth a finger, and was a captain ouer king Elahs cha-Priots: hee raigned 7 daies in Thirza, in which time he put m death and vtterly rooted out all the posteritie of Baasha: and then omri besieged the Citie so straitly that he had no hope to escape; wherefore he set the citie and pallace on fire, in which he also perished, 1 Reg. 15.16.

The Tranels of Omri King of Ifrael.

Mri signisieth, a souldier, or one that deserueth his pay. He was made King by the Ifraelites in his tent, while he was at wars neere to Gibithon: from whence he went to Thirza, which was 36 miles, and befieged the same vpon the very day that Simri had put the posteritie of Baasha to the sword, and took it. He began to raigne in Thirza Annomundi 3017, and before Christ, 95 1, and raigned ouer I frael 12 yeres, the first six of which was in Thirza, the latter fix in Samaria, 1 Reg. 16.

From Thirza he went to mount Semer, fix miles, there Omit built Samaria, and made it the feat of his kingdome. He went thither about the seuenth yeare of his raigne, 1 Reg. 16. So these two journies were 42 miles.

Of Samaria.

C Amaria the chiefe feat and Metropolis of Ifrael, was built by Domri in mount Semer, 32 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, and took that name of Semer who was Lord of that mountaine, of whom K. omri bought it for two talents of filuer, which amounteth to 1200 crownes. In this citie 14 Kings of Ifrael kept their Courts, viz. Omri who was the first founder of it, Ahab. A. hasia, Iehoram, Iehu, Ioachas, Ioas, Ieroboam, Zacharias, Sallum, Menahem, Pekahia, Pekah, and Hosea, who was the last of the Kings of Israel that raigned in this citie, and lost it, together with his libertie. Of all these Kings there were but five that died naturally, for the Lord being moued to wrath by reason of their impietie and idolatrie, either gaue them vp into the hands of forrein enemies, orby civill war amongst themselves they cruelly murthered one another, untill such time as the Assirians destroied the land, and led the people captive. Thus the Lord punished with a sharp and feuere punishment, this obstinat nation, because they contemned the admonitions and doctrines of the Prophets, amongst which Elias and Elizeus were the chiefe. So that although Samaria was afaire and beautifull city, and the country for that cause was called the province of Samaria; yet notwith standing, that great God the ludge of all things, for the iniquitie of the people caused this faire Citie to be left desolate, the inhabitants of the land to be dispersed, and the earth for want of due vsage to lie as a wilderneffe, 2 Reg. 17. This city in the old Testament (according to the Hebrew phrase) is called Shamar of Schomron, which fignifies, To keepe, or a Tower of strength. You may reade of this, 1 Reg. 2. 2 Reg. 1.7. The Greekes and Latines call it Samaria, which signifieth, The castle of Iehouah, or of God. You may reade more of this in the fecond Volume.

of Hiel that built lericho againe.

Fter the death of omri King of Israel, when Ahab his sonne began to raigne, Hiel a very rich man in the town of Bethel (that hee might leave behind him an eternall memorie of his name) went to Ierichowhich had bin formerly destroied by Iofbuah ! Ioshuah the son of Nun, & had lien wast for the space of 5,36 yeres, where contrary to the commandement of the Lord, and curse of Ioshuah, he caused the said citie to be rebuilt, (such was the improus securitie and incredulitie of this man) but the Lord was an gry with him, and he strooke all his children that they died. The eldest son called Abiram, at the laying of the soundation, and his yongest sonne called Segub, at the hanging on of the gates, Iosia.

1. Reg. 16.

The Travels of King Ahab.

A Hab went from Samaria to the hill Carmel, where Elias put to death the Priests of Baal, which was about 32 miles, 1 Reg. 18.

From thence he went to Iezreel, which is sixteene miles, then the told his wife how Elias had put the priests of Baal to the sword

1 Reg . 18.

From lezreel he went againe to Samaria, 18 miles, where being prest with a hard siege by Benhadad King of Syria, he broke out of the citie for his better safety, and by Gods great proudence and assistance he assailed the Syrians, put a great multitude of them to the sword, the rest sled, and hee went away with a no ble victory, as the Prophet of the Lord had formerly told him, I Reg. 20.

From Samaria he went with his army to Napheck, which was 14 miles, where he renewed a fecond battell, and therein had good fuccesse, so that hee tooke Benhadad aliue, and put to the sword.

100000 Syrians.

In this place the Prophet of the Lord reproued him for his ingratitude and obstinacie; wherefore Abab being angry, he went from Apheck to Samaria, which was eight miles, 1 Reg. 20.

From Samaria he went io Iefreel, 16 miles, where that perfidious Queene *Iefabel* caused *Naboth* to be put to death, and tooke possession of his Vineyard, 1 Reg. 21.

From Iezreel he went to Ramoth Giliad, 24 miles; and there in a fight that hee had against the Syrians was so sore wounded

with an arrow, that hee was constrained to leave the battell, 1. Reg. 22.

The trauels of King Ahab.

And as hewent backe againe to Samaria, which was 24 miles, hedyed of his wound. Of this man you may reade more, 1 Reg. 21,22.

So all the Trauels of Ahabwere 152 miles.

The Description of Carmel, Apheek and Ramoth, you may reade before.

of Iesreel.

Ezreel is a city in the Tribe of Islachar, scituated vpon a rising ground, some 48 miles from Ierusalem towards the North. where Ahab fomtimes kept his court. Here Noboth the Ifraelite dwelt; an honest and religious man, one of good esteeme and authoritie, that feared God, and would not fuffer the inheritance of one Tribe, to be transferred to another; because God had commanded the contrary, Nu.vlt. For which cause he would not sell his vineyard to Abab, wherefore Iezabel (that wicked woman) to satisfie the Kings desire, caused him to be stoned. Iezreel signifies, The feed of God, being derived of Sera, Seed, and El, the Almighty God. Though in former times this hath bin a faire town, yet at this day, there is not past 30 houses in it, and is called Chatity; standing at the foot of Mount Gilboah: they shew at this day the field of Naboth the Iesrelite, lying towards the West, as you goe into the citie, a little before you come at it: This towne. standeth vpon a faire prospect; for you may see from thence, through all Galile, to Carmel, the mountaines of Phœnicia and Mount Thabor; also from Mount Gilead, by Iordan and Mount Salem [where Iohn baptifed] neere by Mount Hermon, vpon the North side of Mount Gilboah, there lies a faire and plaine way. to the citie Iezreel; by which lehu came, when he made wars vpon Ichoram King of Israel : of which you may reade more, 2 Reg. 9. It stood not far from the river Kison, as you may reade, 10,17,19,1 Sam. 2,1 Reg. 4.18.

of Ahaziah the sonne of Ahab.

Haziah was crowned king of I frael during the life of his fa. A ther: a crueff and wicked man, he began his raigne in the 27 yeare of Iosaphat king of Iudah, Anno mundi 3049, and before Christ 919, about such time as Ahab went downe to Ramoth Gi. lead to recouer it from the Syrians:within a while after the death of his father, hee fell through the lattice window, in his vpper chamber which was in Samaria: of which hurt he died. Of this you may reade more, I King . I.

The Travels of Ichoram King of Ifrael.

Ehoram succeeded his brother Ahazia in the kingdome of If. rael; who began his raigne in the 18 yeare of Iofaphat King of Iudah, and as Iosephus faith, li. Ant. 9. about the fifth yeare of his raigne, went from Samaria to Ierusalem, which was 32 miles, There he told Isfaphat how the king of Moab had rebelled against him, therefore defired him to goe along with him to the war, 2 Reg. 3. Then Ieheram and Iosaphat, and the King of Edom, went from Ierusalem, and compassed about through the wildernesse of Idumæa, by the space of seuen daies: so that they and their army for want of water, had almost perished : but at the prayers of the Prophet Elisha, they were miraculously preserved. At length they came to Petra the Metropolitan Citie of the Mosbites, and is distant from Ierusalem 172 miles, which they took, and confumed it with fire and fword, 2 Reg. 3.

From the citie of Petra, Ichoram King of Ifrael, returned backe to Samaria, which was 104 miles : where within a while afrer, he was so sorely besieged by Benhadad, king of Syria, that the famine grew very great within the towne, infomuch as a certaine woman

eate her owne childe, 2 Reg.6.

From Samaria, he went to Ramoth in Gilead, with his armie, which is 24 miles, where he was ouercome by Afahel King of the

Syrians, and wounded even to the death, 2 Reg. 8.

From the fight of Ramoth Gilead, he was carried in his chariot backe to lezreel, which was 24 miles, where he lay to be cured of his hurts. But Iehu one of his chiefe Captaines, rebelled against him, and as hee was in his Charriot, shot an arrow, and wounded him the fecond time, whereof he died in the field of Naboth the Iezrelite, 2 Reg.9. So all the Trauels of Iehoram were 356 miles.

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The Travels of Ichu King of Ifrael.

EHV fignifies, A constant man in himselfe, and was the sonne of Iosaphat, the sonne of Nimschi, hee was annointed King of Israel in the castle at Ramoth in Gilead, by Elisha, Anno mundi. 3063, and before Christ, 905: hee raigned 28 yeares, 2 Reg. 9.

From Ramoth in Gilead, in his Chariot he went to Iezreel. which was 24 miles; where in the field of Naboth the lezrelite he killed Ichoram with an arrow. And when he came to the gates of the citie, he caused Iezabel to be throwne from a tower, whom he trampled under his horse feet: And after in that same place shee was eaten up with dogs. Then hee sent messengers to Samaria. commanding the Samaritans, that they should put to death the 70 sonnes of Abab, which they immediately did, and sent their heads vnto him in baskets, 2 Reg. 10.

From Iezreel he went to Samaria, which is 16 miles. In that journey he caused to be slaine by his ministers, the 42 brothers of Ahaziah king of Iuda, neere to the well which was beside the house where sheepe was shorne. And when he came to Samaria, he caused all the posterity of Ahab to be veterly destroied and rooted out. And to conclude the tragedy, by a cunning policie, put to death all the priests of Baal, 2 Reg. 10. So all the trauels of

Ichu, were 40 miles.

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of Ichoahas King of Israel.

Ehoahas was the sonne of Iehu, and succeeded his father in the Kingdome of Israel: he began his raigne in the 33 years of Ioas King of Iudah, in the years of the World, 309 I, and before Christ, 876: hee raigned ouer Israel 17 years. God stirred vp against this wicked King, Asahel King of the Syrians, who with 10000 foot and siue hundred horse, besieged Samaria very strongly; put to the sword many of his subjects, and got many cities and townes from him, as the Prophet Elisha had before told him, 2 Reg. 8.13.

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The Trauels of Ioas King of Ifrael.

Oss succeeded his father Ieboahas, and while he was yet living was annointed King of Israel, in the 37 yeare of Ioss King of Itudah, and raigned two yeares with his father, after his death 15: so all the raigne of Ioss, was 17 yeares. This man was a great souldier, and went from Samaria with an army against the Citie of Apheck, which was 14 miles: there he smote the Syrians, and in three severall battels carried away the victory: recovering the Cities which his father Iehoahas had lost, according to the prophecie of Elisha, 2 Reg. 17.

From Apheck he returned to Samaria, which was foureteene

miles.

From thence he went with his army to Beth semes, in the land of Iuda, where in a sharpe and cruell war, he conquered Amasia,

and tooke him aliue, 2 Reg. 14. which was 32 miles.

From Bethfemes, heewent to Ierusalem, and carried the King thereof with him captiue, which was 4 miles. He woon the citie, and broke downe the VValls of it, from the gate of Ephraim till you come to the Angle gate, four hundred cubits in length, 2 Reg. 14.

From the Citie of Ierusalem, 1000 the conquerer returned to

Samaria, with the spoile of the temple, and of the Kings house, with many captiues, and a great prey, which was 32 miles: where at the end of the seuenteenth yeare of his raigne, he died, and was buried. In this mans time, Elisha the Prophet died, 2 Reg. 13:14. So all the trauels of Ioas were 96 miles.

Of Bethsemes.
Of this Citie you may reade before.

The Trauels of Ieroboam the second of that name King of Israel.

His Ieroboam fucceeded his father loss in the Kingdome of Israel, and began his raigne Anno mundi, 3123, and before Christ, 845, which according to the text of the Bible, happened about the 15 yeare of Amasia King of Iuda, and hee raigned 41 yeares, 2 Reg. 14. He kept his court at Samaria, where the Prophet Ionas told him, that he should recover not only the townes and cities of the land of Israel that had beene lost, but also the cities of Hemeth and Damascus: Wherefore he gathered a great army out of the citie of Samaria, and went thence vnto Hemeth or Antiochia in Syria, which was 248 miles. This Citie he conquered, and all the countrey thereabout; so that he recovered all the ancient Townes and Cities that belonged to David and Saul, even from Hemeth in Syria, to Soba in Armenia, with all the Cities, Townes, Castles, and Countries, neer adjoyning to them, 2 Reg. 14.

From Hemeth or Antiochia, he went to Damascus, which is 140 miles. This citie he also tooke, and all the countrie of Syria round about, he made tributary to him, 2 Reg. 14.

From Damascus he went to the Red sea, euen 320 miles: and associated all the South part, which in times past belonged who the kings ome of Israel, 2 Reg. 14.

After this, he returned to Samaria his owne countrey which was 192 miles: where, in the 41 years of his raigne, he died, and was there buried. After his death, the kingdome of Ifrael was opprese.

oppressed with tyranny, vntill it was destroied by forreine nation ons : and for the space of 12 yeares there was no King that such ceeded him. In the raigne of this king (a little before his death there hapned an horrible earthquake; of which you may reade A mos 1, which without doubt did foreshew some eminent changes that should happen in that kingdome, as did afterward, Zac. 41.

So all the trauels of Ieroboam, (the second of that name) were 900 miles.

of Zachariah King of Israel.

Welue yeares after the death of Ieroboam, Zachariah his for began his raigne in Israel, in the 38 yeare of Azaria king of Iuda, which was Anno mundi, 3975, and before Christ, 7931 he raigned fix moneths, and then was milerably flaine by Sallum his friend, 2 Reg. 15. Tofeph. lib. Antiq.9.

of Sallum King of Ifrael.

C' Allum began to raigne after he had flaine Zachariah, in they yeare of Azariah King of Iuda: and when hee had raignal scarce a moneth, he was slaine by Menahem, losing his life and kingdome together, 2 Reg. 15.

The Trauels of Menahem.

Enahem was borne in Thirza, in the Tribe of Iuda; who be gan to raigne in the same yeare that he slew Sallum: htt raigned ten yeares, 2 Reg. 10.

From Thirzahe went to Samaria with his army, which was is miles: where (having flaine Sallum his Lord and King) he vsur vpon the kingdome, 2 Reg. 15.

From thence he went to Thipsa; which is fix miles. This town he cruelly destroied with fire and sword, and all the townes there about, because they refused to open their gates vnto him.

From Thipsa this cruell tyrant went backe again to Samaria. smiles, where he grieuously afflicted the children of Israel tenne yeares. Wherefore the Lord being offended with him for his exceeding crueltie, stirred vp Phul Belochus King of Asfyria, who came from Babylon to Samaria, beeing 624 miles, and put King Menahem to such an exceeding great streight, that hee was constrained to buy and procure his peace with * 1000 talents: which * What this mony being received, he suffered him to enioy his kingdom, and returned backe vnto Babylon with all his army, 2 Reg. 15.

So all the trauels of King Menahem were 18 miles.

was in our money you may read after in the quantity of monies.

of Thypla. His was a towne neere to that kingly city Thirza, scituated I in the tribe of Manasses, 24 miles from Ierusalem Northward. But because the inhabitants thereof denied to open their gates to this cruell tyrant Menahem, therefore he vtterly destroied iteuen to the ground. Thipfa fignifieth, The Paschal Lambe, or a Passeouer; being deriued of Pasach, He passed by.

of PEKAHIA King of Ifrael.

DEkahia reigned two yeares after his fathers death; at the end of which term he was flain by Pekah the fon of Remalia, who succeeded him in the gouernment. Ioseph. lib. Antiq. 9. saith, That this murther was done at a banquet.

The Travels of PEKAH King of Ifrael.

DEkah the son of Remalia began to reigne in Samaria, Anno mundi 3 1 89, and before Christ 779. in the 52 yeare of Azarial King of Iudah, and reigned ouer Israel 20 yeres, 2 Reg. 15.16.

From the city of Samaria he went with Refin King of Syria to lerusalem, which was 32 miles, and besieged it, but could not

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take it : neuerthelesse he ouercame AhaZ King of Iuda in a great battell, and put to the fword in one day aboue 12000 fouldiers that bare armor. In this war were taken 200000 women, children and maids, all which hee carried Captiues to Samaria, 2 Reg. 16. 2 Chr. 28.

From Ierufalem hee returned to Samaria with a great bootie. which was 32 miles, and at the command of obed the Prophet set at libertie all his captines. After, about the end of the 20 years of his reign, he was flain by Hofea his chiefe captain, who succeeded him in the gouernment, 2 Reg. 15.

So all the trauels of Pekah were 64 miles.

of Hosea the last King of Israel.

Trofea began to reign in the fourth yere of Abas king of Iuda, Anno mundi 2209, and before Christ 759. He kept Court at Samaria, and was a cruell and wicked King. Wherefore God stirred vp Salmanasser Emperour of the Assyrians, who about the end of the 7 years of his reigne came to Samaria and befreged it for the space of 3 yeares: at the end of the third yeare with great labor he won it and all the country round about; so that he took King Hosea prisoner, and led him together with a great multitude of the lewes (amongst which were Gabriel and Raphel the friends of Toby the elder) thence to Niniveh captiues, beeing 652 miles. From Niniveh he sent them to a place called Rages in Medea, be ing 752 miles, and in that country peopled many towns & cities with them; fo that there were many of the Israelites led into cap tiuitie aboue 1396 miles, for so many miles is Rages and the Cities of the Medes from Ierusalem Northeastward

This captiuitie of the ten Tribes hapned An. mundi 3227, and before Christ 741.

F the cities of Rages and Niniveh you may reade in the trauels of Toby and the Angell Gabriel.

The Tranels of the People which SALMANASSER Emperour of the Assyrians sent to dwell in the Land of Ifrael.

The Trauels of the People that came out of Assyria.

CALMANASSER after hee had carried the Children of Ifrael away captine into Affyria, fent (as it is faid) part of them into Media, and part of them into Persia, and so dispersed them here and there about the Countrey. But because the Land of Israel by reason of this captiuitie became desolate and without inhabitants, therefore he caused those people which dwelt about the river Cutha in Persia, to go thence and dwell in Samaria, and in all the countrey round about, to till the land and dreffe the Vines, least some other people that were strangers to his gouernment should vsurp vpon that kingdom, it being thus without inhabitants, Iof. li. Ant. 9. You may reade of this also, 2 Reg. 7. In whose place, and neere to the said river of Cutha, a multitude of lewes with great shame and griefe were constrained to dwel. He also gathered a great multitude of other people out of Babylon, Hamath, or Antiochia, some out of his own dominions of Assyria, also out of Medea, and the people of Ava and Sepharuaijm; which people are mentioned, Esay 37. and sent them to inhabit in Samaria and all the cities and countries round about, because it was a fertile and pleasant country, and to defend it against the incursions of strangers. From whence may be gathered, that in this behalfe the policy of this Emperor was much greater that of the Romans, for the retaining of this kingdome; but especially than that of Titus Vespasian; for hee having conquered the land, wasted it and destroyed it with fire and sword, put thence the inhabitants, and dispersed them heere and there, left the countrey bare and naked, onely a few Garrisons were placed in the strongest cities, to keepe it to their vse. Which not beeing able enough to oppose the incursions of the Saracens, that in great Troupes brake out of the Desarts of Arabia Petræa, they soone lost all that they had gotten; and the Turks ioining with them, they have now gained into their possession that pleasant and fruitfull Land

of Iud & a, and inhabit therein euen to this day, to the great detriment and scandall of the Christians.

But to return to the people fent to inhabit this kingdom, who as they were of divers Nations, so were they of divers religions. and euery Family had his particular god. Wherefore the Lord fent a multitude of Lions among them, which daily vexed them: from whence it hapned that Salmanasser was constrained to send backe vnto them a Levite (one of the Priests that had bin caried away captiue) to fhew them the true worship of God. He came to Bethel, and there taught them the doctrine of the Lord, and the customes and ceremonies of the Mosaical Law: whereby it hapned that they began to worship God and their idols, in neither observing their antient custome. For which cause they became so abominable vnto the Iewes, that they refused their companie and familiaritie, (as that Samaritan woman confessed to Christ at Iacobs Well, Ioh.4.) fo that when the Iewes could call a man by any ignominious or odious name, they would term him a Samaritan, Ioh. 8. Do we not (ay rightly that thou art a Samaritane, and hast a Dinell. But of all the people which Salmanasser sent in. to the Holy land, those that came out of the East part of Persia from Cutha(called Cutheis) dwelt in Samaria, and got the chief command and government over the reft.

The Trauels of the Kings of Syria that made warre upon the Kings of Ifrael. And first of the Trauels or incursions of BENHADAD.

Enhadad King of Syriawent from Damascus the chiefecity of his kingdome, and came to Samaria and streightly be sieged it in the time of Ahab King of Israel, 1 Reg. 20. being 132 miles.

From thence (being ouercome and put to flight by Abab) he returned backe agains to Damascus, which was 132 miles.

The second time he came from thence, and inuaded the land of Israel even vnto the city of Apheck, 124 miles, which hee besieged. But Abab King of Israel overcame him in a great battell, and put 100000 Syrians to the sword; and when the rest of the multitude would have fled into the city, the ruines of a wall self vpon them, so that there died 27000. This put King Benhadad into such a seare, that hee was constrained to sty from one chamber to another to hide himselfe; but at lost was taken, and (not without the great wrath and indignation of God) by that wicked king Abab pardoned and set at liberty, 2 Reg. 20.

Wherefore he went thence backe vnto Damascus, which was

124 miles.

Within three years after he brought a great army against Ramoth in Gilead, which is 104 miles from Damascus South-eastward. Here he won of Abab a great battell, in which Abab was slain with an arrow, 1 Reg. 222.

From thence he returned back to Damascus, which was about

104 miles.

After that, he came again from Damascus into the land of Israel with a great army, 120 miles; where he counselled with his Captains and men of war, saying, Here and there will we incamp our selues. But the Prophet Elisha discouered their purposes, 2 Reg. 6.

Out of the land of Israel he returned to Damascus, which was 120 miles.

From thence he returned again with his army to Samaria, being 132 miles; which the second time he besieged so straightly, that an asses head was worth 80 pieces of silver. But yet the Lord at the server prayers of Elizew the Prophet, strook such a seare and anguish among the enemies, that Benhadad and his army were constrained to sly, 2 Reg. 6.

Being fore troubled because he was thus put to flight, he went to Damascus, which was 132 miles, and there within a while after

died of grief, 2 Reg. 9.

So all the trauels of King Benhadadwere 1224 miles.

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The Trauels of the Captaines which Benhadad King of Syria fent to waste and destroy the land of Baela
King of Israel.

His army went from Damascus, and came to the towne of Hion,72 miles.

From thence they went to Dan, which is 4 miles.

From Dan they went to the city of Abel-Bethmaacha, twelue miles.

From thence they went to the land of Chineroth, which was accounted 8 miles: there they tooke certain cities of fruit, and spoiled and destroyed them.

From Chineroth in the tribe of Nepthali (when they had cruelly wasted & destroyed that country) they returned with a great booty to Damascus, being 88 miles, 1 Reg. 15.

So all their Trauels were 184 miles.

The Description of the Places to which they travelled.

Hion and Dan.

I on and Dan are two towns neere to mount Libanus and the fountains of lordan, some 104 miles from Ierusalem North-Eastward. Hion signifies A towne of the sountain, because it standeth neere to the Towne or Fountaines from whence Iordan if sueth.

Of Abel-Bethmaacha you may reade before.

of Chineroth.

His Chineroth or Cineroth was the metropolitan City of the tribe of Nepthali, 72 miles from Ierufalem Northward It was scituated in a very fruitfull and pleasant place, and for that cause was so called; for Kinroth being deriued of Kinnor, significant Musicke or Mirth.

The Trauels of NAAMAN the Syrian.

Aaman came from Damascus to Samaria, which was 132 miles, to be cured of his Leprosie by Elizem; who commanded him to goe to the river Iordan, and wash himselfe therein 7 times, and he should be clensed.

Wherfore from Samaria he went to Iordan, 26 miles, & there according to the commandement of the Prophet, he washed him-

felfe 7 times, and was clenfed, 2 Reg. 5.

From the river I ordan he returned backe against to EliZeus the Prophet, to give him thanks for that benefit, which was about 16 miles.

From Samaria he returned backe to Damascus, 132 miles. So all the trauels of Naaman the Syrian were 296 miles.

The Travels of HASAEL King of Syria.

He went from Damascus (where Elizem told him that hee should succeed his Lord and Master Benhadad in the kingdome, to Ramoth Gilead with his Army, which was 104 miles. There he ouercame Iehoram king of Israel in a great battel, 2 Reg. cap. 8.

From thence he returned to Damascus, 104 miles.

After he went from Damascus to the city Aroer, which was 122 miles.

From thence he went through the land of Giliad into the kingdom of Basan, vntil he came to mount Libanus, which is accounted 80 miles, and conquered all that part. 2 Reg. 10.

After he returned into his own kingdom to Damascus, which

is 320 miles.

Within a while after, he went agains from Damascus with his army to Gath, which is reckoned 188 miles. This city he won.

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From Gath he went to Ierusalem, 32 miles, which he besieged so streightly, that Ions King of Iudah was constrained to give him great aboundance of gold to raise his siege and be gon, 2 Reg. 12.

From Ierusalem he went back to Damascus, which was about

160 miles.

The last journey that he went against the Israelites, was when he besieged Samaria, at which time he won many cities & towns round about in the countrey, and made them tributaries to him, 2 Reg. 13. which was 132 miles.

Having finished this expedition he returned back to Damas-

cus, 132 miles, and there died and was buried.

So all the trauels of Hafael King of Syria were 1384 miles.

The cities of Aroer and Gath are described before; therefore I shall not need to speake of them again in this place.

The Trauels of BENHADAD second of that name, King of Syria.

His Benhadad was the son of Hasael, and succeeded him in the gouernment. He went from the city Damascus with a great army to Apheck, which is 104 miles. This King was three times one after another ouerthrowne by Isab King of Israel, & lost all those cities which Hasael his father had formerly conquered, 2 Reg. 13.

From Apheck he returned to Damascus, 104 miles, and there

died. Soboth journies were 208 miles.

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The Travels of RESIN King of Syria.

RESIN King of Syria went from Damascus, and ioyning his Army with that of Pekah King of Israel, they went to Ierusalem and streightly besieged Ahab King of Iudah, a meg. 16. which was 160 miles. At this time (which was in the

yeare of the world 3206, and before Christ 762, the Prophet Esay 4.7. foretold of the birth of our Sauior Christ, saying, Behold, a pirgin being great shalbring forth a child, and shall call hu name EMANVEL.

From thence he brought his army through Idumæa to Elath a city of the Red sea, some 160 miles from Ierusalem towards the South, and 16 miles from Ezeongaber Northward. This city Re-

in won, and thrust the Iewes out of it.

From Elath hee went to Damascus, 280 miles, where hee was slain by Tiglath Phulasser that mighty King of the Assyrians, who carried a great multitude of the inhabitants of Damascus into the countrey of Syrene, where they endured a miserable exile, 2 Reg. 16.

Soall the trauels of King Refin were 600 miles.

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The Trauels of the Kings of Iudah which reigned in the City of Ierusalem: and first of the Trauels of REHOBOHAM.



Ehoboam the sonne of Solomon succeeded his father in the Kingdome, and began his reign Anno mundi 2971, and before Christ 977. who by reason of his extreme crueltie and threats (following the counsell of his yong Courtiers, rather than of his grave Senators) the same yeare lost 10 of

the Tribes, that fell from him and rebelled against him; so that bereigned ouer Iudah and Benjamin 17 yeares, 1 Reg. 11.14.

A little after the death of Solomon he went to Sichem, 32 miles, where he was anointed and crowned King. But the people perceiuing that hee carried himselfe very proudly and arrogantly, desired him that he would ease him of the burden formerly imposed vpon them by his father: (for Solomon had set a certaine Taxe on every man, because hee was at extraordinarie charges as long as the temple was building) but he little regarding their request

told them that his little finger should be heauier than the whole burthen of his father: wherefore they disliking his speech, fel all from him, except Benjamin and Iudah.

Wherefore the King shunning the fury of the people, with all possible speed went from Sichem to Ierusalem back again, being 3 2 miles. Then he sortified all the chiefe cities of Iuda and Benjamin, 2 Chr. 11.

So all the trauels of Reboboam were 64 miles.

But he principally fortified 14 cities in the tribe of Iuda, that with the more fafetie he might oppose his enemy Ieroboan King of Israel, vi? Bethlehem, Etam, Thecoa, Bethzura, Adullam, Gath Maresa, Ziph, Adoraijm, Lachis, Asca, Zarea, Ajalon, & Hebron most of which townes, and the memorable actions don in them, are described in the former part of this Treatise. I will therefore speake only of such townes as have not as yet bin mentioned.

of Marefa.

His was a city in the tribe of Iuda, 16 miles from Ierusalem Westward, which Reboboam repaired and fortified, 2 Chr. 11, where King Asa ouercame the Ethiopians in a cruel battel, 2 Chr. 14. Here Michaias and Eleazer the Prophets were born, 2 Chr. 20, Mich. 1.2. Ios. 15 Georgias also sled into this city when hee was ouercome by Iudas Machabeus, 2 Mac. 12. It was scituated on the borders of the tribes of Iuda and Dan, as S. Ierom saith, in whose time the ruins thereof were to be seene. Maresca signifies an Inheritance, being derived of Moraschah, that is, a Possession.

Of BethZura.

This is a strong castle (often mentioned in the history of the Machabees) scituated on a mountaine some 5 surlongs from Ierusalem Southward, and sell by lot vnto the tribe of Iuda. This tower was as it were a bulwark for the city of Ierusalem, & stood in the way as you go thence to Bethlem and so to Gaza.

Of Zareah.

His was a city in the tribe of Iuda, eight miles from Ierulalem toward the West, which Rehaboam did also repaire and fortifis fortifie, 2 Chr. 11. There was another city of this name, scituated vpon the border of the tribes of Iuda and Dan, 18 miles from Ierusalem Westward; of which you may reade in the trauels of sampson.

Of Adoraym.

A Doraijm or Adarah was a city in the tribe of Iuda, 44 miles from Ierusalem Southwestward; which Rehoboam the son of Solomon also fortified, 2 Chr. 11. It is scituated upon the borders of Iudah and Arabia Petræa, betweene Cades and Casmona. It signifies a glorious City, being derived of Adar, he was glorious.

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The Travels of King Abia.

A Bijah or Abia fignifies, The Father of the sea. Hee began to reign in the 18 years of Ieroboam his Aduersary, An. munding 88, before Christ 980, and reigned ouer Israel 3 yeres, 1 Reg. 15. 2 Chr. 17.

He went from Ierusalem to the mount Zemeraim, 8 miles. After that hee went to Bethel, and conquered all the countrey from

thence to Ephron, which was 36 miles.

From Ephron hee returned to Ierusalem, 44 miles: there hee tooke vnto him 14 wives, and begat 20 sonnes and 16 daughters, 2 Chron. 12.

The Trauels of ASA King of Indah.

A Sa fignifies a Physitian. He began to reigne about the end of the 21 years of lerobeam King of Israel, An. mundi 2990. before Christ 978. He gouerned Iudah with great commendations 41 years.

Hewent from Ierusalem to Maresa, 16 miles, where in the valley of Zephatha hee ouercame the Ethiopians in a memorable

battell, 2 Chr. 14.

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From thence he pursued the Ethiopians to Gerar, being 22 miles and recouered many cities which the Ethiopians dwelt in. 2 Chr.

From Gerar he went to Ierusalem, which was 32 miles, and offered to the Lord of the spoiles that hee had taken, 700 Oxen, and 7000 sheepe, 2 Chr. 15.

These trauels of King Asa make 70 miles.

The journey and expedition of Særah King of Æthiopia, whom Asa King of Iudah ouercame in the valley of Zephatha.

Ærah or Særach fignisseth A noble and puissant Lord. This was a mighty and warlike Prince, who gouerned Lybia and Æthiopia; the King of which countrey at this day wee call Presbyter Iohn, or rather Petro Iohannes; who holdeth his Countin a faire and goodly city called Hamarich, the Metropolitan of all Æthiopia, and extendeth his gouernment beyond Meroes in Affrica. Many (though ignorantly) suppose he is a Priest, because he is called Presbyter, though indeed he is not so, but rather a puissant and mighty Emperor. But to return to Særah or Særach, who in hope to extend his Empire into these parts, went with a great army out of Ethiopia, to the valley of Zephatha in Iuda, to fight with Asa King of Iudah, 1200 miles; but lost the day, and returned with great shame, 2 Chr. 15.

It feemeth that this King was the mightieft of all his predecessors, and a Prince of no vulgar estimation, because of the multitude and great aboundance of soldiers which he brought in his army; for it is reported that there were 1000000 that bore armor and 300 chariots; but this great army was dispersed, and most of them died miserably: as did that great army of Xerxes, which consisted of 1700000. From whence it may be concluded, That it is not the strength of man which deliuereth him, but the Lord.

The Travels of IEHOSAPHAT King of Iudah.

Tebosaphat signifies, The Iudge of the Lord. He began his reign in the fourth yeare of Ahab, I Reg. 22. The greatest part therfore of the sirst yeare of this King hapned in the yeare of the world 3033, and before Christ 935. Hee reigned ouer Israel 25 yeares, that is, from the 35 of his age, till the 60. In the 7 yeare of his reigne hee went from Ierusalem to Samaria, which was 32 miles, to visit his kinsman Ahab King of Israel: for Isram his son some ten yeares before had maried Athaliah King Ahabs Sister, 2 Reg. 8.

From Samaria hee went with Ahab to the war at Ramoth in Gilead, which was 24 miles, where Ahab was flaine, 2 Reg. 22. 2Chr. 18.

From Ramoth he went fafe from the wars to Ierusalem, which was 48 miles.

From Ierusalem hee went to the city of Beersaba, the vtmost bounds of his kingdome towards the South, to instruct his people in the Law of the Lord; which was 42 miles from Ierusalem Southward.

From Beerfaba, passing through all his kingdome hee came to Mount Ephraim, which was 48 miles, and the vtmost bounds of his kingdome Northward, beeing some 8 miles from Ierusalem, 2 Chr. 19.

From Mount Ephraim he went to Ierusalem, which was eight miles. Thus Iehosaphat went through al his dominions, to instruct his subjects in pietie and the true worship of God: In enery Citieordaining Iudges and Gouernours, Magistrates, Procurators, and Assessing to their discretion the deciding of all controuersies; saying to them, Take heed what you doe, for the office which you have taken upon you is not humane, but Divine: and as you indge, so shall you be eiudged; for the Lord is with you in indgement. Wherefore doe all things with diligence, and in the seare of the Lord; for with the Lord there is no iniquitie, nor respect of persons, neither takethhe any bribes. And he himselfe remained chiefe Iudge in Ieru-

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falem, to whom any might appeale from the inferior Iudges, that so there might be a iust end of controuersies, 2 Chr. 16.

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Afterward Iehosaphat went forth with his army to Tecoa, fixe miles from Ierusalem, where by feruent prayers, the sounding of trumpets and other musical instruments, he obtained a memorable battell against the Moabites, Ammonites, and Idum wans, for the Lord turned the weapons of them one against another, and they wounded one another to the death. This fight happened in a faire vally between Tecoa and Engedi. So Iehofaphat pursued the enemy for three daies with great flaughter, and returned with a mighty spoile. This was called the valley of Bleffing, because of this great victorie at Tecoa, and began 8 miles from Ierusalem Southeastward, and extended it selfe to the tower of Engedi neer to the banke of the red sea, 20 miles.

From Engedi (out of the valley of Blessing) Iehosaphat and his army returned to Ierusalem, 20 miles, and went into the Temple with shalmes, harpes, timbrels, and great joy, thankfully acknowledging Gods mercifull fauor toward him in giuing him fo great avictorie, 2 Chr. 20. But as there is nothing in this life that can be faid permanent, so likewise the selicitie of Iehosaphat changed on a fudden, the froward and adverse frowne of adversitie seifing vpon his prosperitie: for ioyning with that wicked and impious King of Ifrael Ahaziah, vpon condition to build a certain navvol ships at Ezeongaber, to fetch gold from Tharshish and other places in India, he displeased the Lord; for which cause there arose a great tempest, which brake down the workes and destroyed the Navy.

From Ierusalem he went with Iehoram King of Israel to waragainst the Moabites, and with them went the King of Idum xa:so passing through the desarts of Edom, they came to Mount Seir, and fowent to Petra the chiefe city of the King of the Moabits, distant from Ierusalem 72 miles, 2 Reg. 3.

From Petra lehosaphat returned to Ierusalem, 72 miles, where he died and was buried. 2 Reg. 22. 2 Chr. 21.

Solall the trauels of Iehofaphat King of Iuda were 372 miles.

The Typicall signification of IEHOSAPHAT.

S lehosaphat by prayer, and the sound of trumpets and other infruments of mufick ouercame & dispersed his enemies without drawing his sword; so Christ also by the sound of his Word and doctrine, without drawing weapon, ouercame the enemies of the Church.

The Travels of IORAM King of Iudah.

foram fignifies, The Exalted of the Lord. He was crowned king (his father yet living) at fuch time as he made his expedition against Mesa King of the Moabites, which hapned about the fift yere of Ieheram King of Israel, An. mundi 3055, before Christ 913. He reigned with his father Iehosaphat 2 yeares, and after his decease six. So Isram reigned 8 yeares ouer Iudah, and when hee was forty yeares old died miserably, 2 Reg. 8.9.

About the beginning of the fecond yeare of this Kings reign, (which was the fixt of Iehoram King of Israel) Elias the Prophet was taken up into heaven. About the beginning of his reigne he went from Ierusalem to Mount Seir, which was 28 miles Southward; where he vsed such extreme cruelty toward the Edomites, which at this time were his subiecas, that of a sudden they fell from him, and chose them a King of their own, 2 Reg. 8.

From the Mountain of Seir he returned to Ierusalem which is 28 miles, and there cruelly put to death his owne brothers. But God stirred up against him the Philistines and Arabians, who broke into Iuda, and destroyed it with fire and sword. They also went to Ierusalem, and tooke thence all his substance and riches, put his children to the sword, all but Ioachas, which also called Ahaliah or Ochorias; & caried away his wives captive into Arabia Ecelix, which is neer vnto Ethiopia, 1200 miles. Then the Lord ftrooke him with an extreme paine in his bowels, of which after two yeares he died, and was buried without any funerall pompor honorable respect, neere to the Kings tower. A man vnworthy to be buried in the sepulchre of the rest of the Kings, because hee so much degenerated from Dauid his predecessor, 2 Reg. 8.2 Chr. 28, So all the trauels of Ioram were 56 miles.

The Tranels of AHAZIAH King of Indah.

Haziah (which also was called Iehoachas) succeeded his Father Ioram in the gouernment of Iudah, & began his reign in the 12 yeare of Iehoram King of Israel, Ann. mundi 3062. and before Christ 906, and reigned one yeare, 1 Reg. 8. He went from Ierusalem to Ramoth in Gilead, which is accounted 48 miles: There he went to battell with Iehoram King of Israel against the Syrians, 2 Reg. 8. 2 Chr. 22.

From Ramoth in Gilead he returned to Ierusalem, forty eight

miles.

Within a while after he went backe again to visit his kinsman Iehoram King of Israel, to Iesreel, for hee was wounded in the battell against Hasael, and lay there to be cured: which was forty and

eight miles.

With Iehoram he went to meet Iehu the Captaine of the Hoft, who shot an Arrow and wounded Iehoram, that hee died in the sield of Naboth the Iesteelite. Wherefore Ahaziah to saue his life sled with all possible speed, taking his way to the Kings garden that stood close by the vineyard of Naboth the Iesteelite, not farre from the City and Tower of Iezreel. But Iehu sollowed him so close, that he wounded him as he ascended up unto a place called Gur, which signifieth, A Lions Whelpe; neere unto the Towne which is called Iiblea. Wherefore Ahaziah seeling himselse hurt, he went to Megiddo, soure miles from Iesteel, and neere to Apheck upon the West. There, as Iosephus saith, Lib.

Anig. 9.) hee caused his wounds to be searched and bound up. This citie of Megiddo is 48 miles from Ierusalem Northward.

From Megiddo hee went to Samaria, which was 14 miles: there he lay hid for a while, flying from one place to another, to faue himselfe, 2 Chron. 22.

But being found out he was carried backe to the citie of Megiddo, which was 14 miles; and at the commandement of Iehn, was there flaine, 1 Reg. 8.

From Megiddo his carkaffe was carried to Ierusalem, which was 48 miles, and there buried, 2 Reg. 8. 2 Chron. 22. So all the Trauels of Ahaziah King of Iudah, were 224 miles.

Of that Idolatrous audwicked Queene Athalia.

Thalia was fifter to Ahab and daughter to Omri, married to 17 yeares of age: and after the death of Azabiah (who was flaine about the 23 yeres of age) she vsurped vpon the kingdome of Israel (anno mundi, 3063, before Christ, 905,) and raigned with great tyranny almost 7 yeares: So soone as she had obtained the government, the cruelly and miferably put to death all the children of Ahaziah, and all those that were next heire to the Kingdome; onely 1018, who was faued by the policie of Ichoshabeath fifter to Ahasiah, that stole him from among the rest of the Kings fonnes, and put him to nourse in her bed-chamber: and hee was with them in the house of God fix yeares, all which time Athalia raigned ouer the land. And in the feuenth yeare, Iehoiada waxed bold and proclamed Iow King, as being next heire to the crowne, and annointed him in the temple; who after Athalia was slaine succeeded in the gouernment, 2 Reg. 11.4. 2 Chron. 22.

of Ioas King of Iudah.

Tow began thraigne ouer Iudah when he was almost 7 yeres of age, and about the middle of the seuenth yeare of Iehu King of O Israel,

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Israel, anno mundi, 3069, and before Christ, 899, and raigned ouer Iudah 40 yeres. He did that which was acceptable in the fight of the Lord all the daies of Iehoiada the Priest, who crowned him king:but after his death he fell into euil courses, aud caused that good Priest Zachariah (the sonne of Iehoiada, who was the author of all his preferment) to be stoned to death in the upper court of the Temple; which act argued that he was very unthankefull and tyrannicall. But the Lord (displeased with his crueltie) within a veare after the death of Zachariah, stirred up the Syrians, who inuaded Iudæa, and spoiled the citie of Ierusalem: in which warre all those that stirred up the king to Idolatrie were cruelly slaine. To conclude, within a while after some of his courtiers conspired against him, and as he lay sicke of a grieuous disease in his bed put him to death; and buried him in Millo, the Citie of David. Thus God justly punished this tyrant for his vnthankefulnesse. apostasie, and cruelty, when he had lived 47 yeares, 2 Reg. 12.

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The Trauels of Amasial King of Iuda.

Masias, or Amasiah signifies, the strength of Iehouah. This man was 25 yeares of age when he was enthronised by his father, about the second years of loas King of Israel, Anno mundi, 108, and before Christ 806. He ruled the kingdome while his father was ficke one yeare, and after his decease 28: so all the yeares of his raigne were 29.

He went with an army from Ierusalem to Salag, that is to the tower or rocke of Mount Seir, 40 miles towards the South: here in the valley of Salt he put to death a multitude of the Idumaans. And although this towne was very strongly scituated yet he woon it, and called it Ioctiel, that is, The eare of the Lord; because God in that place heard his prayers: being deriued of Iakah and El, which is, God hath heard. Neere to this Towne Amasah commanded ten thousand Idumæans which hee had taken in warre, to be cast downe headlong from the top of an high rocke ento a deepe valley, in which fall their bones were shattered all to pieces, and they died miferably, 2 Reg. 14.

From Selag Ioctiel hee returned to Ierusalem, which was 40 miles; where hee began to worship the gods of the Idum ans that he brought along with him, 2 Chron. 25.

The trauels of Azariah King of Iudah.

From Ierusalem hee went to Bethsemes, and there was onercome by Ioas King of Ifrael, which was 4 miles, 2 Chron. 25.

From Bethsemes loas led Amasiah backe againe to Ierusalem captine, which was 4 miles, 2 Reg. 14.

From lerusalem he fled to the citie of Lachis, which was 20 miles, and there was flaine by his owne feruants, 2 Chron. 25.

From Lachis his carkaffe was carried backe againe to Ierufalem 20 miles; where it was buried in the citie of David, 2 Reg. 14. 2 Chron. 25. Soall his trauels were 128 miles.

The Tranels of Azariah, or Vzziah King of Iudah.

THis man succeeded his father Amasia (in the yeare of the world 3138, and before Christ, 830) when hee was but 16 yeares of age, and raigned 52 yeares: his mothers name was Iccoliah of Ierusalem. He did those things that were vpright in the fight of the Lord, therefore the Lord bleffed him. And after the death of his father, built Elah, and restored it to Iudah.

He therefore went from Ierusalem to Elah, 160 miles towards the South, and rebuilt that towne (it being a famous Mart towne, scituated upon the red sea) and fortified it, because Resin King of the Syrians in times past for want of due fortification woon it. and destroied it, 2 Chron 26.

From Elah he returned to Ierusalem. 160 miles.

After hee went from Ierusalem to Gath a citie of the Philistines, which was accounted 34 miles: this towne he woon, beat downe the wals, and destroied the Bulwarkes thereof.

From thence he went to Iabnia, which is 24 miles, and broke downe the wals thereof, 2 Chron, 26.

From thence he went to Azotus or Asdod, which was 8 miles, 2 Chron. 26.

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From Asdod he went againe to Ierusalem, being 22 miles. Within a while after, he gathered an armie, and went from Ie. rusalem to Gur-Baal, that is, Gerar; where he ouercame the Arabians in a great battell, which was 32 miles, 2 Chron. 26.

From Gerar he returned to Ierusalem, being 32 miles.

He went from Ierusalem the third time into the land of the A. monites, 60 miles; which people he conquered, and made tributarie to him: fo that he was made famous through all the countries thereabout, even to the vtmost part of Egypt, because of his

often victories and triumphs, 2 Chron. 26.

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Out of the land of the Ammonites he returned to Ierufalem. which was 60 miles. But now being lift vp with the prosperitie of fortune, and not content with his regall dignitie, he endearous red to have chiefe authority over the Priests also: for which cause he went into that part of the temple where the Altar of sweet incense stood (where it was lawfull for none to goe but the Priests) and there tooke vpon him to offer sweet incense; but as he was offering the Lord strucke him with Leprosie, so that he was constrained to dwell in a house by himselfe, separated from the congregation: And his sonne Iotham gouerned in his stead all the dayes of his life. But within a while after he died of this disease. and was buried in the Kings garden at Ierusalem, and not in the fepulchre of the Kings, 2 Reg. 15.2 Chron. 26. Soall the travels of Azariah King of Iuda, were 592 miles.

Of the places to which he travelled.

Of Elah.

His was a city scituated vpon the Red Sea, 160 miles from I Ierusalem towards the South; betweene Ezion-gaber and Midian. This city, Refin King of the Syrians conquered; but Azariah King of Iudah droue thence the Syrians, and made it fo strong, that it seemed impossible to be conquered. It tooke the name of aboundance of Oakes, which (as it feemeth) grew about that place: for Elah or Ilix, signifies, a kind of Oake tree, (of which there is great plenty in the Holy land) so called because of their Arength and hardnesse.

Of Iabnia.

His was a city neere to Ioppa and Lidda, 16 miles from Ie-I rusalem towards the Northwest. This city taketh the name of wifedomeand prudence, being derived of Bin, to vnderstand.

Of Gur-Baal.

His towne is also called Gerar, where Abraham and Isaac sometimes trauelled; it is distant from Ierusalem 22 miles rowards the Southwest, and six miles from Hebron. Here the Iewes and neighbouring Arabians afterward worshipped the Idol Baal; and therefore this citie which in the times of the Patriarchs, was called Gerar, a Perigrination; was after called Gur-Baal, that is, the Perigrination of the idoll Baal, being derived of Gor, which fignifies, He hath trauelled.

The Travels of Iotham King of Iudah.

otham fignifies, Whole and Perfest. He succeeded his father Azariah when he was about 25 yeares of age, anno mundi 3190, and before Christ, 778. He raigned ouer Iudah 17 yeares, vntill the 41 yeare of his age. His mothers name was Icruscha, so called from an inheritance or possession. He began his raigne in the fecond yeare of Pekah King of Ifrael, and continued it vntill the 17 yeare of his gouernment, 2 Reg. 15.17.

When this noble Prince had rebuilded and richly adorned the porch of the house of the Lord, hewent from Ierusalem and inuaded the countrey of the Ammonites (which was 60 miles,) conquered their King, and made the whole land pay him tribute, euen a hundred talents of filuer of the common weight, and 10000 measure of Wheate, and 10000 of Barley yearely. This tribute

continued three yeares.

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From the land of the Ammonites he went backe to Ierusalem. which was 60 miles; where after he had adorned the Citie and Templewith many Princely buildings, hee died, about the 41 yeare of his age, 2 Reg. 15. Soall his trauels were 120 miles.

of Ahaz King of Indah.

HAZ fignifies Apprehending, or a possessor. He began to raigne after the death of his father Iotham, about the end of the 17 yere of Pekah King of Ifrael, Anno mundi, 3206, before Christ, 762. He raigned wickedly 16 yeares, 2 Reg. 16. 2 Chr. 28 For hee was a notorious hypocrite, who out of a peruerse zeale worshipped many Idols, and burnt his sonne in the valley of Gehinnon, as an offering vnto Moloch. Wherefore he was vnhappy in his gouernment; for God stirred vp mighty enemies against him, even Refin king of Syria, and Pekah king of Ifrael, who wasted and destroied his Kingdome, and (straightly besieging Ierusa. lem) conquered Ahaz in a great battell, and put to the sword 120000 of his men. After that, Resin returned to Elath, and tooke it: fo that he loft more than his father had gotten. Where being strucke into a great feare by reason of these aduersities, hee sent to craue the aid of Tiglaffe Phulaser king of the Assirians, who at his request sent a great Army from Niniuch to Damascus, 520 miles, and there ouercame Refin, and put him to death, and tooke captine 242000 of the people of Damascus, and sent them into Cyrena country of Africa, 2 Reg. 16.

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The Trauels of Ahaz.

Ting Aha? went from Ierusalem to Damascus, which was 160 miles, to meet Tiglath Phulaffer King of the Affirians, torejoyce with him for his happy viotory, and give him thanks for his aid and affistance: where when he saw the Altar at Damascus to be very glorious, he sent for Vrija the chiefe Priest, who tooke a patterne thereof, and carried it with him to Ierusalem, where he made an Altar like vnto it, 2 Reg. 16.

From Damascus he returned backe againe 160 miles. (Sohis trauelswere 320 miles.)

But yet AhaZ continued in his peruerse impiety and idolatry, without without any regard or feare of God, therefore he stirred up other enemies against him, viz. the Idumæans, who tooke a great multitude of them captine; and the Philistines, who with their Army broke into the South part of the tribe of Iuda, and tooke these cities following: viz. Bethlemes, Aialon, Timnath, Socho, Gederoth and Gimfo, with their villages. These Cities for the most part are mentioned in the precedent treatife, except Gederoth and Gimfo. Gederoth, commonly called Gederothaim, is distant from Ierusalem eight little miles towards the South-west, and stands neere to the castle of Emaus, being compassed about with ahedge, from whence it seemeth to take the name; for Gadar is as much to fay as, He hath hedged about. Gimfo was also in the Tribe of Iuda, but in what place it is not certainely known. Thus king Abaz all the daies of his life did euill in the fight of the Lord, for which God punished him and all the land, and in the 16 yeare of his raigne he died, and was buried with his fathers in the Citie Dauid.

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The Tranels of Ezekias King of Inda.

Zekias (which fignifies, The Champion of Iehouah) was borne when his father was but thirteene yeares of age, which made many questions whether he should succeed him as his lawfull heire in his Kingdome, because they doubted whether he was lawfully begotten. For if you doe obserue the order and course of the yeares and chronologie in the Scripture, you shall finde that from the beginning of the thirteenth yeare of the age of whaz, to the first yeare of the raigne of this King Ezekias, make just twenty five yetes. Ezekias therefore began to raigne after the death of his father Ahaz, about the end of the third yeare of Hosea King of Israel, 2 Reg. 19. Anno mun. 3 222, before Christ, 746, being then about 25 yeres of age, a little before Easter, as it appeareth, 2 Chron. 29. He gouerned that Kingdome with great commendations 29 yeares. The first journey that he tooke was from Ierusalem to Gaza, which was 44 miles, there he ouercame the Army of the Philistines, and recoursed all those cities which

his father Ahaz had lost, according to that in the Prophet Esay,

cap. 15. 2 Reg. 18.

From Gaza hee returned to Ierusalem, which was 44 miles; there he broke downe the places for idolatry, and the brasen Serpent made by Moses in the wildernesse, and called it Nehustan, a brasen thing that hath nothing in it selfe of a divine nature, and could neither profit nor hurt, therefore ought not to be worshipped. This brasen serpent was kept in memory of that signe that God shewed vnto the children of Israel in the desart, when they were bitten and stung to death by siery serpents, for looking vpon this brasen serpent they were healed. But now because of the abuse thereof by the Iewes, which turned it into idolatry, it was broken to pieces. Num. 21.2 Reg. 18. So all the travels of Ezechia were 88 miles.

In the 14 years of the raigne of Ezekias, and in the 38 of his age, Senacharib (that mighty Emperour of the Assirians) having taken many townes and cities in the Holy land, would have also besieged Ierusalem, and for that purpose sent from Lachis (which was 20 miles distant from Ierusalem) Thartan, Rabsarim, and Rab. facha, three mighty Princes, Embassadors, with a great traine to attend them. These men went about the citie, to see in what part it was most subject to batterie, and might easiest be got: so when they came to the conduit of the vpper poole, which is by the path of the Fullers field, between the Fish gate and the old gate, in that place where they might easiliest be heard, they called to the King: but Eliakim the sonne of Hilkiah (which was Hezekia Steward) Shebrah the Chancellor, and Ioab the sonne of Asph, the Recorder, went upon the wall: then Rabsachauttered blasphemous words against the Lord: but Ezekias when hee had heard what the enemie had faid, called all the Elders of Ierusalem to gether, and fent for Isaiah the sonne of Amos the Prophet, and they went into the temple of the Lord and praied. Wherefore the Lord heard their prayers, and fent his Angel into the Campe of the Assirians, and loe, in one night therewere slaine 185000 men as they lay in their tents before Gibeah (which at this time they besieged) being distant from Ierusalem some ten miles towards the Southwest. This great deliuerance hapned in the yeare of the world 3235, and before Christ, 733. About the end of the 38 years of the age of Ezekiah, he fell into a dangerous disease, which so farre forth as could be gathered by all likelihoods was the plague; (for God doth oftentimes try the patience of his Saints with sundry afflictions) but yet at his seruent prayers hee was restored to health, and his daies were lengthned 15 yeares: at which time the Sunne went backe ten degrees, according to the variation of the shadow in the Dyall of Ierusalem, 2 Reg. 20. Is a. 38.2 Chron. 32. But at the end of the 15 yeares, which was about the 54 yeare of his age, he died, and was buried with his fathers.

The Trauels of Manasses.

Anasses or Manasseth signifieth, forgetting, or he hath forgotten. This man was 12 yeares old when hee succeeded his father Ezekiah in the Kingdome of Iudah: he began to taigne anno mundi 3251, and before Christ, 717. This King was a great Idolater, and one that put the Prophets of the Lord to death, so that it was wonderfull to see what tyranny & mischiefe hewrought in Israel: wherefore the Lord stirred vp the Assirians against him, who ouercame him in a great battell, and tooke him captiue, carrying him bound in chaines from Ierusalem to Babylon.euen 680 miles.

But after being humbled by his afflictions, he came to a know-ledge of himselfe, and repented for his former euill, humbling himselfe with prayer and sasting vnder the hand of God: wherefore the Lord tooke compassion of him, and stirred up the minde of the King of Babylon to mercy, so that hee loosed his bands, and sent him backe againe to Ierusalem, 680 miles. From that time forward he lest idolatry and worshipped the true God, adorned the Temple of the Lord with many saire and beautifull buildings, and in the 55 years of his age he died and was buried in the Kings garden, 1 Reg. 21.2 Chron. 33. So all the trauels of Manasses were 1360 miles.

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Of Amon King of Inda.

Mon fign ifieth, True and faithfull: he succeeded his father A Manaffes when he was but 22 yeares of age, anno mundi 3307, before Christ, 661. He raigned two veres, and then because of his exceeding idolatry the Lord call him off when he was about 24 yeres of age, neere which time some of his seruants conspired against him and put him to death.

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The Travels of King Iosiah.

To fiah fignifies; A facrifice of the Lord: he succeeded his father Manasses in the gouernment, when he was but 8 yeres of age, Anno mundi, 3309, hefore Christ, 659. He gouerned Israel with great commendations 32 yeares, 2 Reg. 22. his mothers name was Iedidah, and dwelt in a towne called Bozkath, but how farre this Towne stood from Ierusalem it is not set downe by any Author.

This good King went from Ierusalem to Bethel, which was 8 miles; there he burnt vpon the Altar which Ieroboam built, the bones of the Priests of Baal, as the man of God that came from Iuda had told Ieroboam 350 yeres before, 1 Reg. 13.2 Chr. 23.

From Bethel he returned backe again to Ierusalem, which was 8 miles; there he celebrated the Passeouer with a solemne feast and great attendance, 2 Reg. 23.2 Chr. 35.

In the last yeare of his raigne he went with his army from lerusalem to Megiddo, which was 44 miles, against Pharaeh Necho K.of Ægypt; in which battell he was staine with an arrow, about the 29 yeare of his age, 2 Chron. 35.

From Megiddo his body was carried in a chariot backe again to Ierusalem, which was 44 miles, and there with great lamentations honourably buried, 2 Reg. 23. 2 Chr. 35. So all his trauels were 104 miles.

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The Tranels of Ichoahas King of Iudah.

[Ehoahas fignifies, The knowledge of God: he succeeded his father Iosiah in the 23 yeare of his age, Anno mundi, 2340. which was 628 yeares before Christ; and raigned onely three moneths, 2 Reg. 24.2 Chron. 36. Ieremy (cap. 22.) calleth this man schallum, that is, A recompence.

He went from Ierusalem to Riblah, a city in the tribe of Nepthaly, which is accounted 80 miles; where he was taken prisoner by Pharaoh Necho, 2 Reg. 23.

From Riblah Pharaeh Necho led him captine bound in chaines backe again to Ierusalem, which was 80 miles; and there appointed Iehoiakim, his elder brother, to raigne in his place, 2 Reg. 23. 2 Chron. 36.

From Ierusalem he carried Ichoahas to Memphis, the Metropolitan citie of Ægypt, which was 244 miles, 2 Reg. 23. So all the Trauels of Iehoahas were 404 miles.

of Iehoiakim King of Iuda.

Ehoiakim was the eldest sonne of Iosiah, that good King, and I fucceeded his brother Iehoahas in the Kingdome Anno mundi, 3341, before Christ, 627: he gouerned Iudah 11 yeares. Pharaoh Nesho made him King when he was 25 yeares of age, to whom he was constrained to pay 100 talents of * silver, and a talent of "What this is gold. This money being payed, he obtained the Kingdome, and you may reade continued in great impiety and idolatry; for which cause he was after in the sharply reprehended by Ieremiah the Prophet: but he being of quantitie of moneys. fended at his words, fought to put him to death, wherefore the Lord stirred up Nebuchadnezzar the second of that name, Emperour of the Affirians and Babylonians, who in the 11 years of this Kings raigne came to Ierusalem, and took him captine, tyed him in two chaines, and would have carried him to Babylon; but

but his minde changed, wherefore hee caused him to be put to death and cast out into the fields of Ierusalem for a prey to wilde beasts, Ier. 22.2 Reg. 23.

of Ichoiachin King of Indah.

Ehoiachin fignifies, the preparation of Iehouah. This man succeeded his brother Iehoiakim, and began his raigne about the end of the 3351 yere of the world, and raigned only 3 moneths and 10 daies, which was about the 8 years of Nabuchodonesor the great; at which time he was led captiue from Ierusalem to Babylon, together with Mordocha and many other Nobles, which was 680 miles. This captiuite hapned 617 years before Christ, 2 Reg. 24. 2 Chron. 36. Ester 2. Ier. 52.

The Tranels of Zedekiah the last King of Iudah.

Fter Ichoiachin succeeded Zedekiah, which signifies, The just man of God. This was the sonne of that good King Iosiah, (yet an impious tyrant:) who, by the permission of Nabuchadonezar the great, was suffered to be King of Iudah after his brother, when he was 21 yeares of age. He began to raigne about the beginning of the 3352 yeare of the World, and before Christ 616: he gouerned tyrannically 11 yeares, 2 Reg. 24.

In the 11 yere of this king, Ierusalem was taken by Nabuchado. neZar the great Emperour of the Baby Ionians: wherefore Zedekiah, to escape the brunt of war, fled from Ierusalem with all possible speed to Iericho, which was 12 miles, Ier. 39.52.

From the plaine neere the citie of Iericho, where he was ouecome by the Princes of the Chaldeans, he was led to Riblah to Nebuchadonezar, which was 68 miles.

From Riblah (after the Emperour Nabuchadone ar, had caused all his children to be put to death before his face, and had put out both his eyes) he led him captiue to Babylon, which was 600 miles, where he died miserable, 2 Reg. 25. So all the Trauels of Zedekiah King of Iudah were 680 miles.

Of the destruction of Ierusalem by Nabuchadonezar.

In the ninth yeare of this Zedckiah (which was the last King of Iudah) Nabuchadonezar began to besiege Ierusalem, it being then Winter, anno mundi 3860, vpon the tenth day of the tenth moneth Tebeth, which answereth to the 27 day of December, which day the Iewes till now, observed as a fasting day. The siege continued even till the 11 yere of this king, Ierem. 39.52.2 Reg. 25. And vpon the 9 day of the 4 moneth Thamus, (which agreeth with the tenth day of Iuly) the City was taken, and Zedekiah was put to flight. Vpon the 7 of the 5 moneth Ab, Nabusaraden chiefe captaine of the army, was fent backe by Nabuchadonezar into Iudra, where he destroied and burned the houses and buildings of the citie of Ierusalem, Ierem. 52. vpon the tenth day of the fifth Moneth, Ab, which answereth to the ninth day of Argust, being the Sabbath day, the temple of Ierusalem was set on fire, Ier, 52. debello Indai, lib. 6, cap. 26.27. This first captiuitie and destruction of the citie of Ierusalem by Nabuchadonezar that great Emperor, happened anno mundi, 3362, and before Christ, 606. Three hundred and nintie yeres being then fully complear and ended, from the first yeare of Iaroboam King of Israel, who set up the golden calues, and caused them to be worshipped. For after the end of these yeares, according to the prophecie of Exchiel, cap. 4. the sins of lerobeam should be grieuously punished upon the people of Iudah. In like manner, from the end of the 12 yere of Iosiah, wherin leremie first began to prophecie, vntill this yeare, in which the children of Israel were carried away captine into Babylon, are numbred 40 yeares: which by Ezek.cap.4. are called the yeares of the iniquitie of Iuda, because so long the Iewes did contemne and despise the admonition of the Prophet Ieremie.

Of Babylon.

HOw far this citie flood from Ierusalem, you may reade before which by the Chaldwans is called Shinear, or Sinear, and fignifies, To strike vpon the teeth, being derived of Schen, A tooth, and Naer, To strike, It may also bee taken for that, when a man endea-

endeauoured with all speed to execute a thing, which seemes to refemble the condition of Nimrod; for that in this place he endevoured to ouercome and conquer all his neighbours: from whence this land was called Casdius, that is, The countrey of the destroyer. So changing M into L, it is called Chaldeus or Chal. dea. The chiefe and Metropolitan citie of which countrie, was this Babylon, built some thirtie yeares after the floud by Nim. red, or the Babylonian Saturne, the first great commander of the world, according to Berofus lib. 4. who writeth after this manner: Nimrod which was accounted the sonne of Jupiter Belus, be. ing angry with the holy Priests of that great God lehouah, came with his colonie and people into the field of Sinear, where hee built a citie, and laid the foundation of a great tower, 131 yeares after the floud; and raifed this tower to fuch a height, and withall of fuch a hugenesse, that it seemed as if it had beene some great mountaine; because he would have the Babylonian people accounted the chiefest and greatest in the world; also their gouernor the King of Kings. A little after he faith, he built this tower, but before he could finish it, dyed, in the 56 yeare after he began it: wherefore the citie and tower of Babylon, according to the opinion of Berofus, was begun in Anno mundi, 1788, which was 131 yeares after the flood, and before Christ, 2180. There were two causes wherefore the children of men built up this Tower; first, that they might get them a name: secondly, that they might be safe in case there came another flood to drowne the world. It was made of bricke and bittume, least the water should loosen it. But the Lord turned their enterprises into euill, and divided their Language, so that they could not understand one another whereby they were constrained to leave off their building: from whence it happened that their mindes, manners, understand dings, studies, and principall actions were veterly changed, and is the foundation of all discord and sedition, where the feare of God, and the true knowledge of Christ doth not preuent it. From this division of tongues, it is called the citie of Babylon, this is, the citie of division, being derived of the word Balal, he hath confounded or mingled together. Of this city you may reade in 19. lib. 1. cap. 9. where he bringeth in a saying of the Sibels, which The Trauels of Zedekiah King of Iudah.

was, That when all nations were of one language, they built an exceeding high tower, as though they would have aftended by it into heaven but the Lord, with great tempest and dividing their tongues, subverted their enterprise, from whence it was called Babylon. This citiewas the fairest in those times of all others, scituated in a spacious plaine, vp. on every fide whereof, there stood pleasant orchards and gardens: it was built foure square, compassed about with wals of an incredible strength and greatnesse, being 50 cubits thicke, and 200 high, beautified within with goodly buildings, fair temples richlyguilt with gold, and wonderfull to looke vpon. It was in compasse 380 furlongs, as Strabo saith, which make 48 miles. Through itran the river Euphrates, by which all things necessarie were conveyed to the Citie without it was compassed with faire ditches fil'd with water like rivers, and in the wall there stood a hundred gates. Herodotus faith, That it was 480 furlongs about, which make 60 miles English, but that is not so credible: 110

The first founder of this citie was Nimrod, who in those times was the chiefe commander of the world. It is thought that he was the sonne of Cham, the sonne of Noah; whose name signifies, acruell gouernor, or an vnmercifull tyrant. And that his actions might be according to the fignification of his name, he is branded with most perspicuous note of cruelty, omitting no violent action whereby he might enlarge his dominions; incroching vpon other mens gouerments, through a thirstie and ambitious defire of renowne, without either respect of equitie or humanitie. And to adde cuill to cuill, committed many outrages upon such aswere accounted good men, and the Priests of the great God lehouah, from whence there grew in him a more than humane resolution, accounting himselfe in this world a god, and through this opinion grew into contempt of all good things; compelling fuch as were his subjects and vassals to do him worship and reuerence, as to a divine power; which, being ingraffed into the hearts of fuch as followed in succeeding ages, they countenanced it with authority: from whence it came to passe, that he was involled into the number of their principall gods, giving him the name of Saturne, whom the Hebrewes calleth Sudormin, which elegantly imployeth Saturne.

Berofus faith, that the Babylonian Inpiter succeeded this Nim. rod, whose authoritie I am willing to follow to awoid prolixitie. This man so much inlarged the Citie, that many in succeeding ages have attributed the soundation thereof vnto him. He ruled ouer it sixtie and one yeares.

After him succeeded Ninus, or as some will haue it Nimrod the second, who began his raigne Anno mundi, 1909, before Christ, 2061: he did many worthy acts during his life, and added to the Empire of Babylon many Provinces; and after hee had raigned

50 yeares, dyed, and was buried in Babylon.

After him succeeded Semiramu his wife, who tooke vponher the gouernement of the Affirian Empire, her sonne Ninus being then within age; and she began her gouernment Anno mundi, 1959, before Christ, 2009. Shee was one of the manliest and refolute women that we reade of, and performed as many worthy and memorable actions. This Queene built her sepulchre ouer the most eminent gate of Babylon, in a publike and perspicuous place, vpon which shee caused to be written in golden letters, If there be any King of Babylon than shall come after me, and stand in need of mony, let him open this sepulchre, and what soeuer he wanteth hu shall finde: but before, it will not be good for him to touch it. This not withstanding, it continued till the raigne of Darius, who opened this monument in hope to finde what the superscription imported; but no money was there to bee had, onely within might plainely be seene engrauen other letters, to this effect: Valest thou hadst beene unsatiably conetous, thou wouldest never have opened the graves of the dead in hope of gaine. This woman beautified Babylon with many goodly buildings, built up the walles thereof, set a bridge ouer Euphrates, made a beautifull Orchard and a Garden in it, beautified it with many goodly Towers and fortifications, added vnto it many prouinces and gouernments: and after all, because of her owne lascinious appetite (as Sallust saith) was murthered by her fon Ninus, who succeeded her in the gouernment.

There were many other memorable things within this Citic, that were built before and after her time (as *Herodotus* faith) as that great and mighty tower before remembred, in which flood

the temple of Balus, and his fepulchre. Not far from that stood a chappell, wherein was the statue of Iupiter all of pure gold, worth *800 talents of gold. Without that chappell there stood an altar * what this of pure gold, vpon which they yearely offered 100000 talents of was inour frankincense. There was another also somewhat lesse, vpon which may see after they yied to offer their sacrifices, for it was not lawfull for them to offer any thing that had life vpon the greater altar: there stood also in that place another statue twelue cubits high, all of pure gold.

This City was after taken by Cyrus the first Emperour of the Persians, Anno mundi 3432. before Christ 536. in the seuentieth yeare after the Captiuitie of Israel and Iudah, according to the prophecie of Ieremy; at which time the City was so great, that they which dwelt in the middle of it did not know that the Enemie had entred within the walls at the further end: which might happen, because upon that day when it was taken the Babylonians celebrated a Feast unto Venus, in which using extraordinarie diligence, they were lesse mindfull of such things as hapned unto

them.

Thus this City, that with great tyranny had triumphed ouer the Nations of the earth for the space of 1600 yeares (being so plentifully furnished with all things necessary for the maintenance of life, that the inhabitants therof contemned all other people) was by Gods permission, for their pride and presumption, wasted and consumed by Cyrum, as you have heard and shortly after veterly destroyed by Xerxes, the sourth Emperor of the Persians, and so continueth to this day, as Strabosaith. Where then, swold, is thy prosperitie? or Riches, thy glory? since in the one thou art consumed, in the other less desolate.

Of the raines of old Babylon that are extant at this day.

BAbylon (which as you have heard reigned over the Nations of the earth like a Queen) at this day hath nothing to present youwithall but an heap of stones; out of the ruins whereof there was built a little towne close by where it stood, called Elugo, or

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Felugo, scituated vpon the banke of the river Euphrates. Not far from which it seemes there is a profitable harbor for ships, where Merchants oftentimes go ashore, and trauell thence through many Woods and defart places, vnto Seleucia, which at this day is called by the Turks Bagdeth, distant thence some 36 miles, and is the vtmost towne of the Turkish and Persian Empires towards the East, being divided in the midst by the river Tygris. Some Merchants haue reported, That the placewhere Babylon stood is become stony, vn fruitfull, and vnpleasant, because of the ruines of the destroyed buildings which lie in the earth. Also, That there is found a tower built of a blacke stone, which to outward appea. rance feemes to have bin a very goodly house high and eminent. fo that youn the top thereof a man might have feen through the whole city. This tower the Inhabitants of Felugo call the tower of Daniel, in which was the chamber where hee vied to pray vnto the Lord three times a day, the windowes whereof looked toward Ierusalem, Dan. 6. There is also to be seene divers arches of the bridge which Semiramis built, standing vpon the river Euphrates, and the foundation of the great tower whose top should have reached to heaven; being in compasse two miles, but not very high, Within the ruines whereof are found certaine ferpents very not fome and venomous, about the bignesse of a Lizard, having three heads, and spect with divers colours, which the inhabitants call Eglones. There are such a multitude of them, that no man date approch within halfe a mile of it at any time but in the Winter feafon, nor then neither but for the space of a moneth; in which time these serpents for the extremitie of the cold are constrained to keep their holes. Thus as this Tower was hatefull vnto God in the beginning, so likewise hath hee made it hurtfull vnto man guen to this day.

The trauels of Phul Belochus and Tiglath Philasser.

The Trauels of the Babylonian and Assyrian Kings and Emperours that fought against Israel and Iudah. And fir ft of Phul Belochus

Hul Belochus (that is, He returned wasting) began to reign among the Babylonians An. mundi 3149. before Cheile 819, and governed 18 manual 19 manu

This King or Emperour came from Babylon to Samaria, which was 660 miles. There he fo streightly besieged Menahem King of Israel, that he was constrained to give him * 1000 * What this talents of filuer to raife his fiege and depart, 2 Reg. 15.

From Samaria he returned back again to Babylon, 660 miles. he cafter, Soalithe travels of Phul Belochus were 1320 miles.

The Travels of TIGLAT PHYLASSER King of the Assyrians.

TIglat Phulasser signifies, The Assyrian Conquerour. He was also called Tiglath Philasfer, 2 Reg. 15. which name is attributed to him either because he caried away the children of lstael captine, or else because of the conquest that he had of all Galile, and ouer the tribe of Nepthali, which he carried into Aflyria. Hee succeeded his father Phul Belochus in the gouernment of the Affyrians, An. Mun. 2197. before Christ 771. and reigned 25 yeares.

When Refin King of the Affyrians (ioyning his army with Pekah son of Remalia King of Israel) had streightly besiege lerusalem, Ahas was constrained to crave aid of this Tiglath Phulasser, & sent him great presents, which he accepted kindly, & brought his arm from Niniveh to Damascus, 520 miles, where he put Re-In and the whole city to the sword, 2 Reg. 16.

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From Damascus he came with his army into the land of Israel, which was 120 miles, where he ouercame Pekah in a great battell, conquered all the land of Gilead and the tribe of Nepthaly, and put a great multitude of the Israelites into perpetuall exile. 2 Reg. 15.

From thence he went backe to Niniueh, 640 miles.

A little after this, King Tiglath Philasser went from Ninive to Ierusalem, 680 miles, where hee so streitly besieged that wicked King Ahas, that he was constrained to give him great abundance of gold and filuer to raise his stege and be gon, 2 Chr. 28.

From Ierusalem he returned back to Ninive, being 680 miles.

So all his trauels were 6640 miles.

F the city Niniveh you may reade after in the trauels of 10nas the Prophet.

Of Kyr, which is commonly called Cyrene.

KYr or Cyrene is scituated in Africa, 816 miles from Ierulalem Westward. In which country Simon that bore the crosse of Christwas borne, Mat. 27. Luke 23. It signifies in Hebrew, A strong wall: and in Latine, a Heart.

The Travels of King SALMANASSER.

Almanasser fignifieth, The Assyrian Peace-maker. This man Piolomaus (that excellent Mathematician) calleth Nabonas-Sarayathat is, the Prophet of the Assyrians. He began to reign vpon the 26 of February, An. mundi 3221, before Christ 747, and reigned ten yeares or thereabout.

This man went with his army from Ninive to Samaria, being 552 miles, where hee compelled Hofea the last King of Israel to

pay him tribute, 2 Reg. 16.

From thence he returned backe again with his army to Nintveh, 652 miles.

After, when Hofea K. of Israel (conspiring with So K. of Egypt)

denied to pay him tribute, hee returned backe againe the second time to Samaria, which was 652 miles, and after 3 yeres siege he tooke and destroied it with fire and sword, and conquered all the country round about.

From Samaria he returned back again to Niniveh, 652 miles. Soall the travels of Salmanasser King of the Assyrians were

2608 miles.

The Travels of SENACHARIB King of the Assyrians.

C Enacharib, as Melantthon expounds it, fignifieth a two edged Sword. He succeeded his father Salmanasser, Ann. M. 2231. before Christ 737. He reigned 7 years. This man, imitating his father, endeauored to cary away the rest of Gods people into captiuitie: for which purpose he brought an army from Niniveh to Lachis, which was 700 miles, which town he befieged, & fent his Princes to Ierefalem, beeing 20 miles, where hee blasphemed the Lord: of which you may reade more in the historie of King Hezekiah.

From Lachis hee went to Libnah, 8 miles. This was a strong Hold, but he befreged it so narrowly, that within a while after he had begun the siege, he tooke it. While he was before this town there came newes, That Taracha a King of the Ethiopians had inuaded his country. Wherefore he fent the fecond time messengers to Ierusalem. But the Lord was offended with their blasphemie, wherefore hee fent his Angell, who in one night destroyed 185000 of his army.

This fudden and vnexpected euill falling upon him, in a great feare he returned to Niniveh, 692 miles, where he was slain by his fons in the Temple. The fame of these things was so divulged abroad, that Herodotus, lib. 2. makes mention of them.

So these three journies make 1400 miles.

Of Lachis and Libnah you may reade before.

of Assarbaddon King of the Assyrians.

A Sfarhaddon (his father Senacharib being flaine) succeeded in the gouernment, An. mundi 3238, which agreeth with the 730 yeare before Christ, and reigned ten yeares in Niniveh the chiefe city of the Assyrians. Here again the mutation & change of Kingdoms may be observed; for Merodach a Chaldwan rebelling against Senacharib, continued his gouernment in Babylon 11 yeares, that is, during a part of the reign of Senacharib, and all the reign of Assarbadon his son; in which time he conquered the Assyrians, and made them subject to the empire of the Babylonians

of Merodachthe first Emperor of the Babylonians.

M Erodach fignifieth, A bitter repentance. He was the fonne of Baladan Prince of Babylon, who ruled at fuch time as Senacharib had that grieuous ouerthrow in Iudah. Wherefore taking advantage of the time, and the necessitie of that Prince, he rebelled against him and his son Assarbadden, taking upon him the ab. folute command of the city and whole Empire. The beginning of whose reign hapned in the yeare of the world 3236, and before Christ 732. This Merodach sent to Ierusalem wise and learned men with gifts and prefents to King Ezekiah, iust in that yeare when the Sun went backe ten degrees, to know the truth of this miracle. For it was a custome amongst the Nations round about Ierusalem (if any thing hapned beyond the expectation of man) to fend thither to enquire the truth thereof. Such and so wise a people were the Iewes esteemed in those times, as may appeare by divers places in holy Scripture. In the beginning of the 12 yeare of this King, Affarhaddon Emperor of the Affyrians died; after whose death he became Emperor of all Assyria & Chaldea He began to reign ouer that spatious kingdome, An, mundi 3247, before Christ 721. and reigned after that 40 yeares.

of Ben-Merodach Emperor of Babylon.

Ben-Merodach, that is, the fon of Merodach, succeeded his father An. M. 3287. before Christ 681. He reigned 21 yeares.

of Nebuchaduezar first of that name, Emperor of Babylon.

He was the most potent king of all the Babylonians. This man obtained the chiefe command ouer the Babylonian Empire, An. M. 3309, before Christ 659. He reigned 35 yeares, and held his Court somtime in Babylon, sometimes in Niniveh, Iud. 1. He made war with Pharaoh Necho King of Egypt, of which battell you may reade, 2 Reg. 25.2 Chr. 35. in the vally of Megiddo, where Iosias was slain. Herod. lib. 2. doth also make mention of this battell, and calls the place by the name of Magdalum. Of which Ieremy also speaketh. But they were towns in the tribe of Manasses, scituated neere to the plaine where this battell was fought: in which country Mary Magdalen was borne.

The Travels of Nebuchadnezar the second of that name, Emperor of Babylon.

Ebuchadnesar or Nebuchadonesar the Great, which Prolomans calleth Nebupolasser, about the end of the third yeare of Ioachim King of Iudah (being a little before created Emperour, his father yet liuing) came vnto Ierusalem, which hee bestieged so streightly, that hee constrained toachim to pay him Tribute for thirty seuen yeares. Berosus saith, Lib.3. A little after, that is, Anno mundi 3344. before Christ 624, hee was sent against the Syrians, Phæniceans, & Egyptians that rebelled. So he went with his army from Babylon to Carchemis, a City of Syria, scingles of the surface of the syrians that rebelled.

tuated neere the river Euphrates, which was 280 miles. Here he overcame *Pharaoh Necho* King of Egypt in a great battel, *Ier.* 46. *Herod.lib.* 2.

From Carchemis, he went to Ierusalem, which was 400 miles, here he tooke *Daniel* and his companions captiue, and brought

them to Babylon.
After he went wit

After, he went with his army to Pelufio, being 132 miles, which hee tooke, conquered all the land of Egypt, put to death *Pharaoh Necho*, and made *Pfammeticus* his fon King in his place. *Ieremy* the Prophet told of this war, cap. 25.26.

From Pelusio he returned to Babylon, 800 miles. Within a while after, his father died, and he succeeded in the gouernment,

and reigned 43 yeares.

In the 11 yeare of *loachim* King of Iudah, he went again from Babylon to Ierusalem, which was 680 miles, and by policy tooke that city, and put *loachim* the king thereof to death, according to the prophecie of *leremy*, cap. 22. 2 Kin. 24.

From thence (after he had made Iechonias his fon King) heere-

turned backe again to Babylon, 680 miles.

About three moneths after, he went the third time back to lerusalem, 680 miles; for he feared *Iechonias* would rebell and reuenge the death of his father *Ioachim*, 2 Kin. 24.

In the eight yeare of his reign he tooke *Iechonias*, Mardoche, and 3000 other Iews of the Nobilitie, and caried them captiue to Babylon, which was 680 miles, 2 Kin. 24. 2 Chr. 36. Eft. 2.

Nine yeares after, he came the fourth time to Ierusalem, being 680 miles, and besieged the City, because of the impietie and rebellion of Zedekiah King thereof. During this siege he tooke di-

ucrs towns, but chiefly Lachis and Aseka, Ier. 34.

But when hee vnderstood that Pharaoh was comming with an army out of Egypt to rescue Zedekiah, he raised his Campe, and went about 80 miles into the countrey of Egypt: which Pharaoh hearing, was abashed, and turned backe againe. In the absence of this Emperor, Ieremy the Prophet being then within the city, having foretold the destruction therof, would have fled thence for his better safety, into the tribe of Benjamin: but by the way hee was taken in the gate of Benjamin, and cast into prison, Ier. 7.

Within

Within a while after, according to the prophecie of *Ieremy*, *NebuchadneXar* returned out of the defart of Sur, whither he went to meet the Egyptians, being 80 miles, and veterly destroyed the city of Ierusalem, carrying thence the vessels and ornaments of the Temple to Babylon, 2 Kin. 25. 2 Chr. 36.

From Ierusalem heewent to Riblah in the tribe of Nepthaly, 80 miles, where hee put out Zedekiahs eies, and kild his children,

2 Kin. 25.

From Riblah he carried Zedekiah to Babylon, which was 600 miles, where he died miserably in prison, 2 Kin. 25.

Afterward Nebuchadnesar went with his army from Babylon to Tyrus, which hee won, and pittifully wasted with fire and sword, according to the prophecie of Ezekiel, cap. 26. being 600 miles.

From Tyrus he went to Egypt, and passed 480 miles through that kingdome, conquering all the countries and provinces as he went along, even the Ammonits, the Moabits, Philistins, Idumæans, and Egypt it selfe, all which countries hee made tributarie to him, 1sa. 15, 16, 19. 1er. 46, 47, 48, 49. Ex. 25, 29.

From Egypt he returned to Babell, 960 miles.

From that time till his death, hee was Emperour of all those kingdoms. In the second yeare of his Empire Daniel expounded vnto him his wonderfull dream, vnder the similitude of an image fetting forth the condition of the four monarchies of the world, Dan. 2. Not long after, he caused Sidrack, Misack, and Abednego to becast into a fiery furnace, because they refused to worship the golden image which he had fet vp, Dan. 3. Alfo this Nebuchadnefar for his great pride and arrogancie, was by God strucken mad, and into a deepe melancholy, in which disease hee continued for the space of seuen yeares, tyed in bonds and chaines, running vp and downe like a beast, and feeding vpon grasse and roots; untill became to understand, That God the Gouernour of Heauen and earth, had the disposing of Kingdoms and Gouernments, giving them to whom he lift, and againe taking them away. At the end of which time he was restored to his understanding and Empire: and after beautified the city of Babylon with many goodly buildings, faire orchards, and pleasant places, as sosep, lib. Ant. 10 faith. And: And when hee had reigned 43 yeares died, and was buried by his father in Babylon, An. mundi 3387, and before Christ 58x.

So all the trauels of Nebuchadonesar, or Nebuchadnesar, were 7892 miles.

The Description of the Cities and places that have not as yet been mentioned.

of Carchemis.

His was a city in the country of Syria neere Euphrates, 400 miles from Ierusalem Northward, and signifies A sacrificed Lambe; being deriued of Car, which signifies a Ram or Lambe, and Mosch, He hath cut in pieces. It may also be taken in the third Conjugation, for a Lambe sacrificed to the idol Chemosch or Chamos, the god of meetings or nightly salutations.

Of Pelusio.

This City Pelusio was built by Peleus the father of Achilles, from whence it tooke the name. It stands in Egypt, some 172 miles from Ierusalem Southwestward, neere to the gate of Nilus called Pelusiachus, where it falleth into the Mediterranian sea. Not far from this city in the mountain Casius, vpon the borders of Arabia Petræa (where the Temple of Iupiter Casius stood) is to be seen the tomb of Pompey the great, beautisted and adorned by Adrianus Casar, as Capitolinus saith. At this day this city is called by the name of Damiata. You may read of it Ezek, cap. 30.

Of Tyrus or Zor.

Tyrus signisieth Cheese, or to congeale together, as Cheese doth milk; somthing alluding to the Hebrew word Zor, signifying, to make straight, or a rocke having a straight and sharpe edge. It was the metropolitan city of Phoenicia, now the haven or passage of Sur: but in antient time it was called Sarra, Aul. Gel. lib. 14. cap. 6. It was seituated upon a very high rocke, compassed about with the Mediterranean sea, 100 miles from Ierusalem Northward, and a samous mart towne for all the Holy land. By the description of Ezekiel it seemes to have bin like unto Venice

both inscituation and dignitic, Ez. 72. 28. Ierem. Esay 27.28. and many other Prophets prophecied against this town, saying, Out of the land of Kithim (that is, from Macedonia) the destroyer of Tyrus should come. As after hapned: for Alexander the Great, King of Macedon, besieged that town, and in the 7 moneth after tooke it; for the obtaining whereof he was constrained to fill vp the sea which compassed it about, containing 700 paces, and made it firm land for his army to passe vpon to the wals of the city. In this country that famous Civilian Plpian was borne, as he writeth, lib. 1 ff. de Censibus. And vpon the borders of Tyrus and Sidon Christ cured the daughter of a Canaanitish woman, of a Diuel, Mat. 15. wherefore you shall read more of it in the second Tombe.

of Evil-Merodach Emperor of the Babylonians and Affgrians.

Milinus Evil-Merodach, son of Nebuchadonesar the great, succeeded his father, An. M. 3388. before Christ 580. In the first yeare of his reign he fet at liberty Iechonias King of Iuda, and attributed to him the title, dignitie, and maintenance of a King, Ichonias being then 55 yeares of age, and 37 after he had been in captiuitie, 2 Kin.vlt. Ier.vlt. Whence it is concluded by most, That this Emperor did also embrace the doctrine of Daniel, concerning the true God, as did Nebuchadone far his father; who had before by publique Edict professed it to the whole State, & caufed it to be published through his dominions, and therfore shewed fauor and mercy toward King Iechonias. And from thence it is thought, that those which were impious princes about him, called him Amelinus, that is, the Circumcifed, being deriued of Mol, which fignifies, to circumcife; and Evil, fimple and foolish Merodach. His wives name was Nitocris, according to Herod, lib. 1. She was avery magnificent and wife woman, fet vp many faire and goodly buildings in Babylon, and was the mother of Balthafar the last Emperor of the Assyrians, Dan. 5. of of Niriglissoroor Emperor of Babylon.

Iriglissoror (whose syrname was Regassar) son in law to No. buchadnesar the Great, having slain Euil-Merodach his wives brother, reigned over the Babylonians and Assyrians source yeares, as Berosus saith.

of Labassardach the last Emperor of the Babylonions.

L Abaffardach the son of Niriglifforoor succeeded his father. He reigned only 9 moneths, and died without heire male.

of Balthazar Nabonidus the last Emperor of the Babylonians and Assyrians.

Nno mundi 34 15, and before Christ 553, Balthazar Nabonidus, whose syrname was Labynitus, the son of Euil-Merodach and Nitocris, obtained the Empire, and reigned 17 yeares, according to Berosus, with Iosep.cont. App. Alexand. Polyb. apud Eusebium, Prap. lib. 9 icap. 4. Alpha. hist. with Euseb. calleth this King Nabinidochus. This is that Balthazar (faith Iosephus, lib. Ant. 10. ca. 13) which Daniel, cap. 5. calleth the son of Nebuchadonesar, though indeed he was but his sons son, as may be gathered from that of sur. cap. 25. All nations shall serve Nebuchadonesar, and his son, and his sons son.

Balthafar fignifies, The Host of the Lord destroying his Enemies. Labynitus fignifies, a shaken Sword. This man, as he was celebrating a great feast vnto Venus (whom they call in the Assirian tongue Myleta) amongst a great multitude of his Nobility, and in that vsing extraordinary excesse and blasphemy against the Lord; In the middest of his feast and all his merriments he saw a hand, writing vpon the wall, which left these words, Mene, Mene, Tekel V phrasin, of which you may reade more Dan. 5. Some say, That at this very time the city was taken by Cyrus Emperour of the Persians, and he put to the sword in those sports & pastimes.

But certain it is that he was slain at a banquet, lost his empire, and was the last of the Assyrian Emperors: but whether at that time, I refer it to the opinion of the Reader.

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The Trauels of the Kings of Ægypt that fought against of Iudah. And sirst of SISACK, who made war upon Rehoboam the sonne of Solomon.

Hat proud and presumptuous Prince Sifack (which signifies a Garment of Silke) in the last yeare of his regne (which was the first of Rehoboam the sonne of Solomon) came with 1200 Chariots and 60000 Horse, from Memphis to Ierusalem, which was 244 miles; bringing in his Army a great multitude ofpeople of divers Nations, as Lybians, Ethiopians, &c. With this company he besieged Ierusalem and tooke it, wasted the city, spoiled the Temple, and tooke thence the golden shields which Solomon had made, and destroyed that faire and beautifull house which Solomon had built. From whence that faying of his owne was verified, Eccles. That it is agreat euill upon the earth, for a mantotake care to lay upriches and treasures in this world, yet knoweth not who shall inherit it. For those things which a little before hee had with great labour and paines builded and beautified, within lesse than 20 yeares after were destroyed and made desolate by this King.

From Ierusalem Sisack returned with the spoiles of the temple and city, to Memphis in Egypt, which was 244 miles: and in the yeare following he was stricken by the Lord with a grieuous disease, of which he died miserably.

So these two journies were 488 miles.

The Travels of PHARAOH NECHO King of Egypt, who made warre upon IosiAH King of Indah.

T Echo fignifies an Enemy or Inuader. This man was one of the greatest of all the Egyptian Kings, who in the thirteenth yeare of his reigne made war vpon Nebuchadnezar the first, and in the valley of Megiddo, neere to Magdala, which was 244 miles from Memphis, fought a great battell, wherein Ioliah King of Iudah was wounded to the death.

From the valley of Megiddo Pharaoh Necho went to the River Euphrates, which was 3 60 miles, where he fought a fecond battel with Nebuchadnezar vpon a plaine neere to Carchemis, where hee

lost the day and was put to flight.

From Carchemis he fled to Riblah in the land of Israel, which was 320 miles; where in the land of Chamath, neere to the lake Samachonites, he ouercame *Toachas* King of Iudah, and took him prisoner.

From Riblah Pharaoh Necho led loachas bound to Jerusalem being 80 miles, and made Ioachim his brother King in his place. From Ierusalem he returned to Memphis, 240 miles.

Within four years after he went the second time with a great army from Memphis to the river of Euphrates, which was 640 miles.

But there he was the second time overcome by Nebuchadnesar, and constrained to fly thence back again to Memphis in Ægypt being 640 miles. But Nebuchadnefar followed him with an army of chosen men, and conquered all Ægypt, tooke Pharaoh Necht, and made his sonne Psammeticius King in his place, who was the fecond of that name. Of this battell there is mention, Ier. ca.23, ₫ 26.

So all the travels of Pharaoh Necko were 1524 miles.

The Trauels of the holy Prophets, and first of the Prophet ELIAH.

Liah the Prophet went from Thisbe (which was in the land of Gilead) to Samaria, 24 miles, where he told the wicked King Ahab, that there should bee neither rain nor dew for the space of 7 years, 1 Reg. CAD. 17.

From Samaria he went to the river Kerith, 24 miles, where hee

was fed by a Rauen.

From Kerith hee went to Sarepta, which was 100 miles, where hesojorned with a poor widow that found him necessaries, whose

fun he restored to life, 1 Reg. 17.

From Sarepta he went to Mount Carmel in the land of Israel, being 60 miles; and by the way as he went he met Obediah (which fignifieth, The Seruant of the Lord) and King Ahab, whom he rebuked sharply because of his idolatry. Also vpon this mountaine heput all Baals Priests to death, and prayed vnto the Lord, who sent rain upon the earth in great aboundance, 1 Reg. 18.

From Mount Carmel he ran by King Ahabs chariot to Iesreel

which was accounted 16 miles.

After, when Queene lefabel threatned his death, hee departed

thence, and went to Beersaba, 84 miles, 1 Reg. 19.

From Beersaba he went one daies journy into the wildernes of Paran, because hee thought to remaine there safe from the mischiefe of Iefabel, which was 20 miles from Beerfaba Southward. Here the Augell of the Lord brought him meat as he was fitting vndera luniper tree, 1 Reg. 19.

By vertue of this meat Eliah trauelled from thence to Mount Horeb or Sinai, 80 miles, and continued there 40 daies and forty nights without meat or drinke. There the Lord spake to Eliah as hee flood in the entrance of a caue, his face being covered with his mantle, 1 Reg. 19.

From thence he went to Damascus, 124 miles, where he anoin. ted Hasael King of Syria, 1 Reg. 19.

From Damascus Elias went to Mount Carmell, where hee

dwelt, which was accounted 120 miles.

From mount Carmel he went to Iefreel, 16 miles: there in the vineyard of Naboth (who Iezabel caused to be stoned to death) he Tharply reprehended Abab for his impiery and idolarry, 1 Rev.

From Iezreel he returned back again to his own house to Car. mel, which was 16 miles.

From thence he went to Samaria, which was 32 miles, where he answered the servants of King Ahaziah, whom he had sentto enquire of Baal Zebub the idoll of Ekron, concerning his health. faying, Go and tel your master that sent you, That the God of Is rael faith, Because thou hast fent to aske counsel of Baal Zebub the idol of Ekron, and thinkest there is no God in Israell, therefore thou shalt not rise off the bed whereon thou liest, but shalt surely die. 2 Reg.1.

Soone after, Elias returned to Mount Carmel, which was 22 miles, where the two Captaines with their Companies of fifty that were fent to take him, were confumed with fire from heaven, I Reg.I.

From Mount Carmelhewent to Samaria with the third Cap-32 miles, where hee prophecied of the death of King Abaziah, 2 Reg. I.

From Samaria hee returned backe againe to Mount Carmel, 32 miles.

From thence he went to Gilgal, 52 miles.

From Gilgal he went with Elizeus to the towne of Bethel, being 6 miles, 2 Reg. 2.

From thence to Iericho, 4 miles, 2 Reg. 2.

From Tericho hee and Elizeus went to Iordan, which was fixe miles, through which river they went voon dry ground. Now as they were speaking one to another, vpon the East side of the river

behold a fiery chariot came with fiery horses and tooke Elias up aliue into heauen, after he had gouerned the Church 30 yeres, and mundi, 3056, and before Christ, 912, 2 Reg. 2. So all the Travels of Eliab the Prophet were 1033 miles.

Of the Cities and places to which he travelled.

of Thube.

N this towne the Prophet Eliah was borne, it being scituated in the land of Gilead beyond Iordan, 48 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast. It taketh the name from Captivitie; being derived of Chabah, he hath led into captivitie.

of Kerith.

He river Kerith (where the Rauens fed Elias) runneth from Mount Ephraim between Bethel and Iericho, 8 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, and so passing along towards the East, falleth into the river Iordan, 1 Reg. 17. The Kerethites were fuch as garded the person of the King, which in the Prophet Dauids time were called mighty men; taking their name from striking and cutting being derived of Charath, he hath smitten, or cut in funder.

Of Zarpath, or Sarepta.

His was a Citie of the Sidonians, where they found much mettall of divers kindes; lying betweene Tyrus and Sydon, 112 miles from Ierusalem towards the North; and taketh the name from Zoraph, which fignifies, To trie, or burne with fire. There is at this time but eight houses in all the towne, although by the ruines it seemeth to have beene in times past a very faire citie. The inhabitants thereof take vpon them to shew the chamber wherein Elias the Prophet sometimes liued, when hee raised the widowes childe to life. Before the gate of the citie also there is shewed a certaine Chappell, where (they say) Elias first spake with the widow, 1 Reg. 17. 0f S

of Abelmehola.

His was a towne in the tribe of Manasses, on this side I ordan in the mid-way betweene Sichem and Salem, some 38 miles from I erusalem Northward. At this day it is called Abisena; where there are found certaineruines of Marble pillars, by which may be gathered, that in times past it hath beene a very beautifull citie. It seemeth to have taken the name from a great Lamentation or Mourning: for Abel signifieth To lament and bewaile, and Machol, A company.

The typicall signification of ELIAS.

Elias, according to the interpretation of Saint Ierome, fignifies the minister of Iehouah: but as others would have it, Eliab is as much as my God Iehouah. He was a type of Saint Iohn Baptis, who was sent before to prepare the way of our Lord and Sauiom Iesus Chirst. Of this you may reade more, Malach. 4. Matt. 11.17, 16.40.30.

I he tranels of the Prophet Elisæus or Elisha.

Lissa followed Elias through divers countries, and became as it were his servant, pouring water vpon his hands, and ministring to him, 1 Reg. 19. 2 Reg. 3.

Elishawent with Elish from Gilgal to Bethel, which was fix miles, 1 Reg. 19.

From Bethel they both went to Iericho, which was 4 miles.

From Iericho he went beyond Iordan, 6 miles; where his Mafter was taken from him vp into heauen, and his spirit was doubled vpon him, 2 Reg. 2.

From thence he returned backe again to Iericho, which was 6 miles, passing through the river Iordan vpon drie ground; by which miracle the children of the Prophets (viz. such as studied diunnitie at Iericho) did certainly know that the spirit of his master Elias rested vpon him. Neere to this towne, he slang salt into a river, by which the water was made sweet, 2 Reg. 2.

From Iericho Elisha returned to Bethel, which was 4 miles: here the children that mockt him, saying, Come vp thou bald pate, &c. in contempt of his age and office, were deuoured by 2 Bares, 2 Reg. 2.

From Bethel he walked to Mount Carmel, which was fifty fix miles.

From thence he went to Samaria, which was about thirtie two miles.

From thence he went to the three Kings, viz. Ioram King of Ifrael, Iehofaphat King of Ierusalem, and the King of the Idumæans, into the desart of Arabia Petraa, which was 104 miles: here he prayed vnto the Lord, and he sent them water lest they should have perished with thirst, 2 Reg. 3.

From the Defart of Arabia Petrea hee returned backeto Samaria, which was 104 miles, where he relieued a certain widdow woman that was afflicted with pouereie and want, miraculously by a Cruse of Oyle, 2 Reg. 4. Iosephus lib. Antiq. 9. supposeth this Woman to bee the widdow of Obediah the Kings Steward, of whom you may reade before, who did hide and maintaine a certaine number of the Prophets of the Lord in a caue, 2 Reg. 18.

From Samaria Elisha went oftentimes to a Towne called Sunem, as he returned to Samaria to Carmel, which was 16 miles distant. Here a certaine rich woman observing his often passage to and fro by that Towne, built him a little chamber wherein he might rest himselse after his journey: to which place he often resorted, and in recompence of this benefit (although she had been long barren) he prophecied, that within a years she should have a sonne, which accordingly shee had to her great joy and comfort 2 Reg. 4.

From Sunem he went to Carmel, which was 16 miles.

From thence he returned back again to Sunem to the woman where hee vsed to lie, which was 16 miles: here hee restored her sonne to life, 2 Reg. 4.

From thence he went to Gilgal, which is distant from Sunem 36 miles towards the South: here he fed 100 men with 20 barlie loaues, 2 Reg. 4.

From Gilgal he went to Samaria, which is accounted 20 miles: to this place Naman the Syrian came to him to be healed of his leprofie, 2 Reg. 5.

From Samaria he went to Iordan, which was eight miles, Here he made a Hatchet of yron that fell into the water, to swimme,

2 Reg.6.

From Iordan he went to Dothan, where the children of Iacob fould their brother Ioseph to the Midianites, which was 8 miles: here the Angells of the Lord compassed him and his seruantabout, less they should have bin taken by the armie of the Syrians, and God strooke the Syrians with blindnesse, 2 Reg. 6.

From thence he led the army of the Syrians (being thus made blind) to Samaria, which was 12 miles, and deliuered them to the King of Ifrael, vpon condition that he should give them meate and drinke to refresh themselves, and suffer them to depart in peace, which he did, 2 Reg. 6.

From Samaria he went to Sunem, which was 16 miles; herehe adulted the woman where he vied to lie, to trauel thence to some other place, because of the famine that should follow and conti-

nue for seuen yeares, 2 Reg. 8.

From Sunem hee went to Damascus, which was 132 miles: there he told Hazael, that he should succeed his Master Benhadad

in the government of the Syrians, 2 Reg. 8.

From Damascus he returned to Samaria, which was 132 miles, where soone after he sell sicke and died; his shody was buried neer to Samaria, where the Lord a long time after his death shewed a wonderfull miracle, for a dead man being throwne into his Sepulchre, was restored againe to life by touching of his bones, 2 Reg. 13. This man gouerned the Church of God amongst the children of Israel 60 yeares after the death of Elias.

So all the Trauels of Elisha were 730 miles.

Concerning the townes and places mentioned in his Trauels, you may reade before.

The Typicall fignification of Elisha.

Lisha or Elischa fignificth, the saluation of God; being deriued of Elishat is, God; and Iaschag, He hath saued: from hence
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Iesus, a Sauiour; because this Prophet was a notable type of our Sauiour Iesus Christ: for as Elisha was annointed Priest by the Prophet Eliah; so Christ was the annointed Priest of the father: and as Elisha did many workes of mercy and myracles, to make euident Gods power and providence; so our Sauiour Christwent from place to place, shewing mercy to the blind, lame, and impotent, upon them working wonderfull miracles, that thereby his Doctrine might be made euident to the World, and all such as trust in him be made capable of eternal happinesse.

Tha Trauels of the Shunamite, whose some, Elisha hadraised from death to life.

From Sunem the went to Mount Carmel, and befought *Eli/ha* to come and raife her fonne from death to life, which was 16 miles, 2 Reg. 4.

From thence she and Elisha returned backe againe to Sunem, which was 16 miles; and there hee deliuered her sonne vnto her

aliue, 2 Reg.4.

From Sunem(hauing buried her husband) thee trauelled into the land of the Philiftins, because of the famine that was to come suddenly after, being 56 miles, 2 reg. 8.

From the land of the Philistines, shee returned to Samaria,

which was 40 miles,2 Reg. 8.

From Samaria the returned to Sunem, which was 16 miles. So all her trauels were 144 miles.

of the Prophet Isaiah or Iesaia.

Esaia, or Ieschaia, is all one in fignification with Elisha, that is, a Sauiour. He was the sonne of Amos (which fignifieth, strength) and by consequence Ozia King of Iudah was his cosin-german, as may appeare by this Genealogie following.

Ioas King of Iuda.

Amasiah King of Iuda. Amos, Ilaias father. Ozias King of Iuda. Isaias had two daughters, Mahez Schatal. Sear Jasub, that Istham King of Inda. is, the rest remaithat is, a sudde de. ning : and was fruction: for this Ahas King of Iuda. a figne of the 2d daughter of 1. rest of the posaydid denote the Ezekias King of Iuda, steritie of Iuda immediat desola. that should retion of the king. Manasses King of Iuda, maine and dwell domes of Syria who caused Isaiah there, Isa.7. and Samaria.

From whence it plainely appeareth, that the Prophet Esaim was of the stocke of Dauid, and linage of Christ; for which cause in the fifth chapter of his prophecie, he calleth him his beloued. He began to teach publiquely in the yeare of the World, 3167, and before Christ 800, and gouerned the Church eighty yeares and more, untill the time of Manasses, who caused him to be cut in pieces with a saw.

tobe flaine.

In anno mundi 3 190: before Christ, 778, Isay saw the Lord sitting vpon a high throne in great majestie, the lower part whereof silled the Temple, and the Saraphins compassed him round about. Esa. 6. Cherubins are glorious and bright shining Angels, of a fiery nature: For Saraph signification, He hath turned to fire.

His doctrine was two fold, that is, partly concerning the Law, partly the Gospell, as may appeare by his prophecie: in the first forty chapters whereof, the doctrine of the law is set forth with sharpe reprehensions for sinne: in the first source of which, are grieuous accusations of sinners for breach of the first commandement; the other for the most part prophecie of horrible punishments, mutations, and change of gouernement; but principally, of the Iewes, Babylonians, Assirians, Syrians, and Ægyptians. From the fortieth to the end of the booke is contained the doctaine of the Gospell, and of the Kingdome of our Saujour

Iesus Christ; which hee hath set forth with such excellent eloquence, sigures, and amplifications, that hee may be compared with the best Orator that euer wrote.

The Trauels of the Prophet Icremias.

I Eremias or Ieremiah, fignifieth, The exalted of the Lord: he was borne in the Tribe of Benjamin, in a Citie of the Priests called Anathoth, and from thence came to Ierusalem, which was two miles, and continued there for 40 yeares, teaching and prophecying.

From Ierusalem he was sent to Euphrates, where in the cliffe of a rocke he hid his girdle, Ier. 12, which was 4.00 miles.

From the river Euphrates, he returned backe againe to Ierufalem, 400 miles,

A little after, the Lord fent him backe againe to Euphrates, (400 miles) to fetch his girdle, and loe it was putrified.

From thence he returned backe agains the second time to Iemsalem, 400 miles.

From Ierusalem he was led captiue bound in chaines with other prisoners to Ramath, a citie in mount Ephraim, which was eight miles: there Nabusaraden the chiefe captaine caused him tobe set at liberty.

From Ramath he went to Mispah, which is 8 miles: where he continued a while with Gediliah Prince of the Iewes, which man had the chiefe command of certaine cities of Iud a vnder Nahu-ahadne Xer.

But in the seuenth yeare of the captiuitie of the people of Israel, Ishmael that was of the stocke and progenie of Dauid (hoping to obtaine the gouernement of Iuda) made warre vpon Gediliah, and put him to death; wherefore Ieremy went from thence with Ishn the son of Kareach, Prince of the Iewes, to Bethlem Euphrata, which was 8 miles, Ier. 41. Now when he had staied a while in a village neere Bethlem called Geruth Ghimeham were sometime Chimeham the sonne of Barzillai lived, 2. Sam, 19. hee prosequences.

phecied, faying, If you stay in this land you shall do well, neither shall any enill hap on: o you but if you depart hence into Agypt, they shall de.

noure you with famine and with the fword, Ier. 42.

But John and the rest of the Princes would give no credit to the words of Ieremy, hut went into Ægypt, and compelled the Pro. phet to goe along with them: fo they went from Bethlehem to Tachpanes, which was 172 miles. Here the second time Ieremie prophecied vnto them, faying, Behold, Nabuchadnezzer shall come hither and wast and destroy all the countrey of Agypt, beat downe the I. mages of Bethsemes, (or Heliopolis) and carry away the Æzyptians into perpetuall captivity, Ier. 43. But the people of Israel being moved to anger because of his words, stoned him to death. So the Trauels of the Prophet Ieremiah were 1786 miles.

Concerning the townes and places mentioned in the Trauels of this Prophet you may reade of them before, except Geruth. Chimeham, which stood close by Bethlehem: it taketh the name from a stranger, or traueller; being derived of Gor, which signifieth. He hath trauelled; and Tachpanes, which was a Citie of A. gypt, some 180 miles from Ierusalem; where the Prophet Iersmy was stoned to death; it is oftentimes called by the name of

Taphnis.

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The travels of Vrijah the Prophet.

Trias, or Vriah, fignifies, Illuminated, or inlightned of the Lord. He was borne at Kıriath jearim, a mile from Ierusalem towards the West . from thence he came to Ierusalem and there prophecied of the destruction of the Citie.

After, when King Ioachim went about to take away his life, he

fled thence into Ægypt, 160 miles.

But the king sent messengers into Ægipt & fetcht Vrijabback againe to Ierusalem, 160 miles, and there cut off his head, and caused his body to be throwne into the sepulchre of a pooredespised man, that it might not be knowne that he had beene a Prophetof the Lord. So all his trauels were 321 miles. Of

of Hananias the false Prophet.

Ananias or Chanania fignifieth, the grace of God. This falle Prophet was a Gibeonite, and came from Gibeon to Ierufalem, which was foure miles; where he tooke the woodden yoakes from the necke of Ieremiah the Prophet: but Ieremiah caufed yron yokes to be made in their places, and told Hananias that for his falshood, that yere he should furely die, as after he did.

of the Prophet Ezekiel.

Zekiel or Ieche kel, fignifies, the strength or fortitude of God. He was carried captine with 3000 others of the Nobility of the Iewes from Ierusalem to Babylon, which was 680 miles the same yeare that Nebuchadnezzer put King Ioachim to death: within five yeares after (a little before Easter) the Booke of the Law was found, 2 Chron. 3. He began to prophecie in Babylon, Anno mundi, 3356, before Christ, 612; at which time he saw his first visions, neere to the River Chebar.

of the River Chebar.

He river Chebar was neere Babylon in Chaldaa, vpon the borders of Mesopotamia, falling into Euphrates; and was oftentimes called Aborras, according to the opinion of many learned men. Strabo in the seuenteenth book of his Geography saith, that there is another river between Tygris and Euphrates, called Basilius: Aborras passeth along by the citie of Athemusia, and is a very faire streame, from whence it is called Chebar, which signifies, a swift and spacious river. Neere to this river the Prophet Ezekiel saw the Glory and Majestie of our Lord Iesus Christ in a bright shining cloud. In this place also dwelt many Iewes, to whom hee prophecied and foretold the destruction of Ierusalem by Nebuchadnezzer, and the captivitie of Zedekiah.

The Trauels of the Prophet Daniel.

Aniel fignifies, The ludge of God. In the raigne of loachim King of Iudah, he was carried away captiue from lerusalem to Babylon, by Nabuchadone Zar, which was 680 miles, and there with his fellowes learned the Arts and Language of the Chaldwans, for three yeares. He was then but young, cout fome 19 or 20 yeares of age, and lived in exile 91 yeares, vntill the third yeare of Cyrus Emperour of the Perfians, about which time he faw his last vision, and a little after died, when hee was about 110 yeares of age, as may be gathered by the circumstances of Histories and times.

From Babylon he went to Susan in Persia, an. mun. 3418, before Christ, 550, being then 94 yeares of age, which was 252 miles, where neere to the shood Eulæus, hee had a vision of a ram and a goate; which set forth the state of the second Monarchie (which was that of the Græcians.) In this vision Gabriel the Archangel, appeared to Daniel, Dan. 8. This was in the third yeare of King

Balthafar.

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From Susan Daniel returned to Babylon, which was 252 miles; Here hee interpreted to Belthasar the meaning of these words, Men, Mene, Tekel Euphrasin, Dan. 5.

From Babylon he went to the river Tygris or Hidekel, which was accounted 36 miles: here in the third yeare of Cyrus King of Persia, he saw his last vision, which is described in the 10, 11, and

12 chapters of his prophecie.

From Tygris, he returned to his own house at Babylon, which was 36 miles. Sometimes also in his three last yeares of his life, he vied to goe to Egbatan, the Metropolitan citie of the Medes, which was accounted 464 miles from Babylon, towards the Northeast: Here Daviet built a faire and artificial! Temple, so strongly, that it remained inperished, and retained the ancient beautie many ages, to the great admiration of all the spectators: In it the Kings of the Medes, Persians, and Parthians, were for the most part honourably buried: the government whereof was

committed to a Priest of the Iewes, as Iosephus faith, lib. Antiq. 10.

From Egbatan, he returned backe againe to Babylon, which was 464 miles, and there died anno mun. 3445, and before Christ, 533. So all the trauels of the Prophet Daniel were 2184 miles.

Of the places to which he travelled.

Of Susan.

C Via or Susan, is so called from a sweet smelling floure; but Ichiefely a Rose or a Lillie, because it is sciruated in a faire and pleasant place. It was a goodly citie, lying on both fides of the riuer Eulæus, some 200 furlongs (that is, 25 miles English) about, as Policletus faith. And of this citie all the country round about is called Susana: bordering towards the North voon Assiria, towards the West vpon Babylon, towards the South vpon the Gulph of Persia, and joyneth vpon the East part of Persia towards the East. There are but two cities that are eminent in it. that is this, and another called Tariana. The aire in the Winter season is very temperate, at which time the earth bringeth forth many pleasant floures and fruits; but in the Summer it is extreme hot, by which heate all things are scorched and burned away, and by reason of the putrisaction of the aire (as some think) inthat feafon there doe breed toads, lyzards, and other noyfome ferpents in great abundance; so that the inhabitants are constrained (partly because of the hear, partly because of the loathsome and dangerous creatures) to build their houses all of earth, long and narrow, the walls and roofes being at least a yard thicke, that so the heat might not pierce through them, or serpents breed in them, Strabo, lib. Geograph. 5, faith, that one Tython (the brother of Laomedon king of Troy) did first build this citie, about such time as Thola judged Israel. After him his sonne Nemmon beautified it with a faire and goodly castle, calling it after his own name Memnon. (Of this man Homer speaketh.) This castle was such a goodly thing, that a long time after his death, the towne was called Memnon, as Strabo observeth: but in Hester and Daniels times, it was called Susa, and the inhabitants Susans. The Persian Emperors in those times keeping their courts there for the most part. and did greatly beautifie the citie with faire buildings. The first of these Emperours that lived here was Cyrus, who after hee had conquered Babylon, Affiria, and many other Kingdomes and countries lying neere to the citie Susa; that he might with more ease and better safety retaine them in his government, removed his court from Persepolis (which lay vp in the East part of Persia) to this towne, where all the Winter season, for the most part, he lived, and in the Summer went to Egbatan the chiefe citie of Media, because there at that season, the aire was very temperate: His successors after him observing the same course for their better conueniencie, and to make euident their greater magnifi. cence, repaired the Castle of Memnon, joyned to it many faire and goodly buildings, and close by it planted a pleasant orchard of diverse and sundry sorts of trees and hearbes. It is reported that the gate whereby they entred into this orchard was very curiously built, supported with pillars of polished marble, imbose fed with filuer and gold very rare to looke vpon: ouer it was a banqueting house, beautified with lively pictures, costly furniture and beds of gold and filuer couered with rich tapeffry, wrought with filke, filuer, and gold; vpon these they vsed to eate their banquets: it was paued with Porphire Marble, and Hyacinths, in fuch fort, as it greatly delighted fuch as beheld it. The Queene had a private garden to her felfe. In which were great abundance of trees of divers kindes, and many sweet floures and herbes: In which garden Ahashueras walked to qualifie the heat of his wrath ihat he had conceived against that wicked and persidious Hamon, who through enuie and ambition fought the destruction of the whole nation of the Iewes; lest by giving placevnto anger, he should transgresse the bounds of clemencie and justice: wherefore it becommeth enery King, Prince, and Judge, to imitate the example of this Emperor, who in the heate of his anger, would determine nothing of so wicked a man: for long and often deliberation becommeth euery wise man before he doth any thing, El. 7.

Not farre from the Emperors pallace, in a faire and pleasant Garden, there stood a colledge of the Magi, that is, such as the Persians Persians accounted wise and learned men: these were of such account for their knowledge and vnderstanding, amongst that people, that some of them in succeeding ages were chosen for Kings and gouernors in that countrie. They studied for the most part the Mathematickes History, Philosophie, and Divinitie, and as many have thought, the Prophecies of Daniel, Ezekiel and others: wherefore as is said before, many are of opinion, That the Wise men which came into Iud at o see Christ, were of this Colledge and towne, because it stood East from Ierusalem. It is at this day called Cusstane, as ortelius and Sebastian Munster witnesses, and in their times was vnder the government of one Caliphus Emperour of the Saracens. This Caliphus was strongly besieged by one Allanthe great King of Tartaria, in this Towne, Anno Dom. 1250. But because of his exceeding coverous seeds and parcimony, he lost the citie and was famished to death.

Of the River Eulao.

Vala, which Stra, li. 15. calleth Eul *a, passed through the city of Susa, and as Pliny saith, lib. 6. cap. 27. tooke the beginning at Media, and so fell into a whole or cauerne of the earth, & passed vnder the ground till it came neere to the citie Susa, where it brake forth againe, and compassed about the tower of Susa, and a temple in that city dedicated to Diana. The inhabitants hold this river in great estimation, insomuch as the kings drink of no other water, and for that purpose carry it a great way. Strabo according to the testimony of Polycletus, saith, That there are two other Rivers of good account, which passed through Persia, viz. Choafpes& Tigris, but neither of them are in like estimation as this is.

Of Elam.

Persia in antient times was called after this name, from Elam the sonne of Sem. But after Persem had obtained a large and spacious gouernment in that country, it was after his name called Persia. Elam signifieth, a youth, or a young man.

Of Egbatana or Egbatan.

His is the metropolitan city of the Medes, and is distant from Ierusalem 1136 miles towards the Northwest, built by Deioce King of the Medes, as Herod. lib. 2. saith, Here Daniel built a saire Temple, of which you may reade more in his trauels. Of this towne you may reade more in the trauels of Iudeth.

The typicall signification of Daniel.

Aniel fignifies the Indge of God: tipically representing Christ who is appointed by that eternall Iehouah to be Iudge of all things both quicke and dead, and rescueth his Church, which is (as a rose compassed about with thornes) oppressed with the tyranny and cruelty of euil and wicked men, casting those false indges and mercilesse gouernors into eternall exile and the pit of de-Aruction. And as the Prophet was innocently condemned, cast into the Lyons den, and had the dore fealed upon him, and to the judgement of man, no hope of life, or meanes to escape was lest him, yet by the prouidence of God was deliuered out of this danger, and came thence fafe and vntoucht, Dan. 6. fo our Sauior was innocently condemned, cast into the grave, sealed vp among the dead, and to common judgement left as a man out of minde: yet early in the morning at the appointed time, by the powerof his Deitie he raised himselse vp from this pit of hell (the grave) and gloriously triumphed ouer it and Death.

Of the Prophet Hosea.

This Prophet Hofea was borne in a towne called Bemeloth, or Bethmeloth, (as Dorotheus fometime Bishop of Tyre saith) which was a towne in the Tribe of Issacher, not fare from Bethulia, some fiftie two miles from Ierusalem toward the North, neere to which place Holosernes afterward pitched his Tents, extending thence to the field of Esdrelon, and the towne Chelmon, from whence it seemeth this towne taketh the name.

He prophesied in Israel eight hundred yeares before Christ; his name signifieth, A Sauiour, being derived of Hosebrag, the third conjugation of Iaschag, that is, He hath saued, Mat. 2.

Of the Prophet Ioel.

Joel fignifies, Gods owne, as Saint Ierome expoundeth it. He prophesied eight hundred yeares before Christ, both in Israel and in Iudah. He was borne in a village which was called Bothomeron, not farre from Sichem, in the tribe of Manasses, as Dorothem the Bishop of Tyre sayeth.

of The Prophet Amos.

This mans father dwelt at Tekoa, a poore man, one that kept kine, and vied to gather wilde figges, as appeareth in the first and seventh chapters of Amos. In this towne Amos was borne, and followed the profession of his father, but the Lord called him to be a Prophet; and then he went to Bethel, which was twelve miles distant. Here he reprehended Ieroboam King of Israel, for Idolatry, and worshipping the golden Calses after, hee was accused by Amasia the chiefe priest of the Idols in Bethel, and bound in chaines, and at length Vria the sonne of this Amasia stroke him upon his head with a speare, whereby he was mortally wounded.

From Bethel, being ficke, hee was carryed backe to Tecoa, which was twelve miles: where a little after he died, as Saint Ierome witneffeth: in whose time his monument was to be seene. Amos signifieth, A burthen, as indeed he was to the wicked Isralites, he so sharpely reprehended them in his sermons of the law. He lived eight hundred yeares before Christ. So his travels were 4 miles.

of the Prophet Obediah.

Bediah signifies, Gods obedieut seruant, of Abad, he hath serued, or been obedient. He lived six hundred yeres before Christ, about the time of the captivitie of Babylon. Saint serome saith, that in his time there were to be seene in the citie of Samaria, the monuments of three Prophets, that is, of Elisha, obediah, and solm Baptist. But some thinke that obediah the Prophet lay not buried in Samaria, but rather it was the sepulchre of that obediah which lived in the time of Abab, that hid a hundred of the Lords Prophets, 50 in one cave, and 50 in another, betweene which there were 300 yeares difference.

The Travels of the Prophet Ionah.

He Prophet Ionas was borne in Gath Hepher, which was a towne in the Tribe of Zabulon, from whence to Samaria is accounted thirtie two miles: here he prophesied to Ierobom (second of that name) King of Israel, that he should recouer Hemath and Damascus, and so to the plaine of the Red Sca, 2 Reg. 14.

From Samaria to Ioppa or Iapho a port towne vpon the sa shore (to which *Ionas* went when he fled from the Lord) was 38 miles: But the Lord stirred vp a great winde when *Ionas* was vpon the sea, that the Marriners cast him our, and he was deuoured of a Whale. *Ionas* I.

That Whale which had deuoured lonas, with a continual course and great violence, in three daies and three nights swam to the Euxine sea, and there cast him vp vpon the shore, which was soo miles, Ios. Antiq lib.9.

From the shore of the Euxine sea, Ionas went to Niniuch, which are eight hundred miles: Here Ionas preached repentance to the Niniuites, Ion. 3.4. So all the Trauels of Ionas were 1470 miles.

of Gath Hepher.

In this towne the Prophet Ionas was born: it was scituated in the tribe of Zebulon, sixty miles from Ierusalem Northward and source miles from Nazareth towards the South. It seemes to take the name from aboundance of grapes; for Gath Ghephar signifieth a Wine-presse.

Of Iapho.

Apho or Ioppa was a city or haven towne scituated vpon the sea, where all such ships landed as went into Iudæa. At this day the Turks and Saracens call it Iasa, lying vpon the Mediterranean sea, in the tribe of Dan, Ios. in a certain mountaine 20 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. Pliny, ii. 5. saith, This city was built before the Floud; and in S. Ieroms time there was to be seen the stone to which Andromeda was bound when she should have bin deuoured by a monster of the sea. The Poets seign this woman to be the daughter of Cepheus, and delivered by Persens king of the Persians, whom after she maried. It is called Iapho because of the beautiful scituation. Some say it was so called of Ipheth the son of Noah, who sirst caused it to be built.

Of Tharsis.

Rom Ioppa, as is said, the Prophet Ionas descended into a ship, that he might fly vpon the sea. The Latine and Greeke texts reade it Tharsin; whence it hapned that many have thought that long fled from Tharsis a city in Cilicia, in which country Saint Paul was borne. But Luther in his Exposition of the Prophecy of long doth vtterly disallow of this as salse; for the Hebrew Text reades it not, To Tharsin, but In Tharsin, that is, into the Sea. For the Hebrew tongue hath two words or syllables which signifie the Sea, which are Iam and Tharsis. Iam signifieth not onely agreat sea, but the meeting together of waters, or a Lake. So in Luke 5, the sea of Galile, in which Christ and his Disciples sailed, is called a Lake; yet Ioh.cap. 6. and the rest of the Euange-lists.

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lists call it a sea. So also Moses, Gen. 1. calleth the meeting toge. ther of the waters, Iam; which may fignifie a fea and a Lake. But Thar sis, or Tar schich denoteth a great sea, and no Lake; or an high and troublesome sea, as the Mediterranean sea is. In this Paul tra. uelled, and there standeth many Islands, as Rhodes, Cyprus, Sici. lia and others; all which are at this day subject to the Turks. Ve. netians, or Spaniards. It extendeth it felfe from Ioppa and Sili. cia, to the Streights betweene Spain and Mauritania. Into this Sea Ionas was cast when the Whale deuoured him. In like man. ner, the Red sea and all others that are ocean seas are called Thar. fis, as appeareth in the 72 Pfalme, where it is faid, The Kings of Tharfis and of the Isles shall bring Presents. Here, the Kings whose Empires extend themselves alongst the sea coast are vnderstood. But the city Tharsis (the countrey of the Apostle Paul) is not a kingdome, neither euer had a King, much leffe many Kings. So Solomon fent his Thippes by Tharfin (that is, by fea towards the Southeast, into the Red sea and Eastern Ocean) that they might bring gold, pretious stones, and sweet gummes from Arabia. But the thips could not faile by the Red fea unto the town of Tharfis vnlesse they would have sailed over the land, which is vnpossible because Tharsis lieth into the land from the Red sea, as all Colmographers agree. So also the Psalmist saith, Thou breakest with thy strong winder the ships of Tharsis, that is, of the sea; beside many fuch like speeches. From whence S. Ierom concludes, that Tharks may better signific the sea, than the city Tharsis.

Of the Euxine sea.

He Euxine Ocean is that great and troublesome sea which beginning not farre from Constantinople, runneth from Bosphorus and Thrace, towards the East and North, containing to the Longitude eight hundred miles, but to the Latitude two hundred and eighty. Towards the South it toucheth vpon Assistance is towards the East vpon Calcos; towards the West, Thracia and Valachia; but towards the North it is iouned to the poole of Mæotides. This sea in times past was called Position

Axenus, that is, the inhospitable country; because as Strabo, lib. 1.
of his Cosmography saith, The inhabitants neere about the seasone did visually sacrifice those strangers they got, or else cast their bodies vnto dogs to be deuoured, making drinking cups of their skuls. But after, when the Ionians had built certain townes upon the sea coast, and had restrained the incursions of certaine Scythian theeues which visually preyed upon Merchants that resorted thither; at the command of Pontus their King, who had obtained a large and spatious kingdom in that country, they called it Pontus Euxinus, which is as much to say as, the hospitable country, Ovid testifieth almost the same, concerning the originall of the name of this sea, after this manner;

Frigida me cohibent Euxini littora Ponti, Dictus ab antiquis Axinus ille fuit.

The chilly shores of th' Euxine sea constraines me to abide, In antient time call'd Axinus, as it along did glide.

Of Ninus or Nineveh.

Ninus or Nineveh was a city of Affyria, where the Emperours of that country vsed to keep their courts. It was first built by Ninus that great Emperour of the first Monarchy, 300 yeares after the floud, and 2000 before Christ, about the time when the Patriarch Abraham was borne. It continued in great glory for the space almost of 1500 yeares, and was distant from Ierusalem toward the Northeast 684 miles: vpon the East side ioyning to the river Tygris, on the North to the Caspian sea. It takes the name from the beauty of it, being derived of Navah, which signifieth Acomely place spatious and pleasant. There are many that are of opinion that in many things it exceeded Babylon; as, for the sumptions from the beauty of the buildings, the strength of the Walls, and the extent. The walls were so thicke that three Chariots might have met upon them without any danger; and beautissed with anhundred and sifty towers. Ionas being sent of God to this city,

was three daies going through it, that is (as Luther expounds it) through every street of it; in which time he converted a hundred and twenty thousand to repentance. Arbaces (who was also called Arphaxad) was then Emperor. This Arbaces, Iustine lib.2. calleth Arbactus: he was a Captaine of the Medes, who perceiving the effeminat disposition of Sardanapalus the then Emperour, taking advantage of the times, and this mans weaknesse, conspired with fome of his companions to vsurp vpon his gouernment; and that he might make them hate and loath his loofenesse, brought them into a room where the might fee him fitting amongst his harlon, tyred in womans apparell, and carding wooll. This fight greatly displeasing them, and before being encouraged by Arbastin, they feifed upon the city, and befieged Sardanapalus in his palace. But to preuent the miserie of a shameful death, after he had gathered all his riches together he fet fire on his palace, where he, his com. panions, and treasure perished. This fire continued 15 daies, and hapned 823 yeares before Christ: about which time Arbattu fucceeded Sardanapalus, began to reign, and continued his government 28 yeres. But the Medes held not the Assyrian Empire long; for Phul Belochus who at this time reigned in Babylon, and his successour Tiglath Philasser, are called Kings of Assyria, betweene whom there hapned many great Warres, 2 Kings, 15.26. From whence may be gathered, That after the death of Arbictus, these Emperours dwelt in Niniveh, and succeeded in the Empire.

Thus was this city greatly defaced with continual! euills, the Lord before hand giving them many admonitions and gentle corrections (if it had bin in them to have conceived it) towinne them to repentance; but they continued still in their fins, therefore according to their former prophecies, Cyaxares King of the Medes befieging this towne, tooke it and destroyed it even vnto the ground, as Eusebius saith. This desolation hapned 13 yeares before the destruction of Ierusalem, in the 11 yeare of Sadyatts King of the Lyddians, who was grandfather to Crasus, An. mande 3349, before Christ 619.

After this destruction it lay a long time desolat, but at length fome part of it was restored, though with much trouble: & then when it was at the best estate, constrained to suffer many changes. and at length vtterly destroied by Tamerlane the Great the second time, An mun. 3390. After this, the inhabitants of that countrey vpon the East side of the river. Tygris, began the third time to build it. But whether this third restoring of this. City was at the command of some Prince that had the government of the Country thereabouts, or because of the scituation, or for privat profit, it is not fet down: neuerthelesse it is again repaired, standing on the borders of Armenia, beautified with goodly buildings, with faire and spatious streets, compassed about (as other cities of the Eastare) with walls and ditches sufficiently strengthned to oppose the Enemy. But in respect of the former Niniveh it seemes a small village. It hath a bridge built of ships, lying upon the East fide of it ouer the river Tygris; and voon that fide of the River there stand many faire gardens and orchards; and the land there also is very fertil and pleasant. But upon the West of Tygris the foile is nothing so fruitfull. At this day it is called by the name of Mossel; so that although it stands in the same place, yet doth irnor retain the same name. To this towne there is a great refort of merchants, who bring up their commodities from the River Tygris hither, and from hence convey them to Bagdeth & many other parts of the world. The inhabitants thereof are for the most part Nestorians, of whom you may reade before in the description of the Sects remaining in Ierusalem at this day. They are had ingreat account and estimation among the Turkes, because it is magined that one of this feet helpt Mahomet to compose the Alcaron. This Nestorius lived anno Dom: 429 and taught at Constantinople; but after he was condemned at Ephesus for an heretick, hewas constrained to steale from Constantinople, and to flie to Thebes in Egypt; where God laid a grieuous punishment upon him, for his tongue began to rot in his head, and to confume with vermin, of which he died miserably.

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The spirituall signification of the Prophet Ionas.

I one signifieth a Dove, and typically representeth Christian his name. For Christwas that gratious and innocent Dove, who hath made euident to man his singular mercy & clemencie, without any shew of bitternesse or wrath. Then in his affliction, for as Iones thrust himselfe into the sea of calamity, and there was swallowed up of a VV hale, which might be well resembled to the grave: so Christ our Sauior was cast into the sea of affliction, the miserie and calamity of this world, and after that, thrust into the jawes of death, the grave, where (as Iones did in the whales belly) he lay three daies, and then arose againe, the earth being unable any longer to contain his body.

Of the Prophet Micah.

This Prophet was born at Marela a towne of Iudea, 16 miles from Ierusalem Westward, it signifies a bitter field. In S. Ieroms time the ruins of the wall of this City was tobe seependicha or Micheas significath humble or lowly. This man was held in great estimation, because he was the first that named the countrey where our Sauior Christ should be born, viz, in Bethlehem, 800 yeares before his nativitie. He lived an. M. 3200.

Of the Prophet Nahum.

Ahum fignifics a Comforter. Hee was bosne in a towners Galile, galled Elcosch, as he saith in the beginning of his Prophecie. This village was the wne vnto Saint terme, by those that trauelled with him through the holy land in his time it was but a small village, called by the name of Elcos, and scauated (as Dorotheus Bishop of Tyre saith) on the surther side of Bethabara, sixteene miles and something more from Ierusalem to

ward the Northeast. This Prophet lived 750 yeres before Christ, and prophecied of the destruction of Niniveh, which after came to passe.

of the Prophet Habacuck.

Abacuck, or Chabacuck, fignifies, One that embraceth, or a louer; from Chaback, He hath embraced. For as a Nurse embraceth and kisseth her infant; so also this Prophet embraced and comforted his people with comfortable doctrine, less by the destruction of Ierusalem (which he prophecied should after happen by the Chaldwans) they should be driven to desperation.

Paul tooke the foundation of his Epistle to the Romanes out of this Prophet, reciting a saying of his, viz. The Iust shall live by faith Hebegan to preach a little before the Prophet Ieremy, 650 yeres before Christ, above 100 yeares before Daniel was cast into the Lions den. From whence most of the Learned conclude, that this could not be that Habacuck which brought meat to Daniel as hee was among the Lions; but they rather thinke it a fragment of a spiritual comedy, and therefore worthy to be called Apocrypha.

Of the Prophet Zephania.

Zephania fignifies the Secretary of the Lord; being derived of Zaphan, He hath kept secret. He lived in Ierusalem and Iudæa in the time of tosiah King of Iuda. He was born (as Dorotheus Bishop of Tyre saith) in a towne called Sabarthaca in the tribe of Simeon.

of the Prophets Haggai and Zacharia.

Haggai or Chaggai signissieth, A Priest celebrating the Feast of the Lord; being deriued of Chagag, He hath celebrated a seast. And Zacharias or Zacharia doth denote, such a man as remember.

membred the Lord; being derived of Zachar, that is, Hee hathre. membred or recorded. These two Prophets prophecied in Ieru. falem in the fecond yeare of Darius the fon of Histashis, 519 years before Christ, an. mun. 3449. Haggai began his prophecy vpon the first day of the fixt moneth Elul, answering to the 28 of August. He sharpely reprehended the people because they neglected the house of the Lord, and built vo their own houses.

In the eighth moneth Marhusuan (which for the most part an. fwereth to our Nouember) Zacharias the same yere began topio. phecie, and in his fermon exhorted the people to repentance, ad. ding the promise of our Sauior, and that he would turn vnto them

that would turn unto him Zach. I.

These two Prophets lie buried 20 miles one from the other. For as Dorothaus Bishop of Tyre saith, Haggai lies buried in Ieru. falem amongst the Priests. But Zacharias neere to a towne in the field of Bethania, 20 miles from Ierusalem Westward. But in the time of Theodosius the Emperor was removed and preserved as an holy Relique. Concerning that fable and figment inferted into the history Nicephorus, I veterly disallow.

Of the Prophet Malachi.

His Prophet prophecied after the captivity of Babylon, and dwelt in the towne of Ziph, as Dorotheus Bishop of Tyre faith. Malachi fignifies an Angel fent; and in Greek, a Meffengen for this Prophet preached to comfortably as if he had bin an angell of God; but principally of Christ and Saint Iohn Baptist, who should goe before him, to prepare his way and make his paths straight. S. Ierom in his Epistle to Paul and Eustochius writes, that some of the Hebrewes suppose this Malachi to have been Estras the Scribe, who was fent by Artaxerxes Longimanus Emperour of the Persians, to restore the commonwealth of Israel, in the yeare before Christ 457.

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An Instruction bow the Prophets may rightly bee understood.

Irst looke into the Cosmographicall Table at the beginning of this booke, and diligently observe the countries & cities that are there fet downe, and how they lie scituated from Ierufalem.

Toward the South of Ierusalem, the Idumeans, Ismaelites, A-

rabians, and Egyptians dwell.

Toward the East, the Moabits, Ammonites, Chaldwans, Babylonians, and Persians.

Toward the North, the Phoeniceans, Syrians, Affyrians, and

Armenians.

Toward the West lieth the Mediterranian sea, Grecia, Italy,

Spain and the Isles of the sea.

Secondly this rule is to be observed, that as often as the Prophets speake of the tribes of Israel, they vie these names, viz, Israel, Samaria, Ephraim, Ioseph, Iesreel, Bethel, & Bethauen: these are the names of the Kingdom of Ifrael: but to the kingdome of Iuda these names are attributed, viz. Iudah, Ierusalem, Benjamin, the house of Danid. But when the Prophets ioyn these two Kingdoms together they call them by the names of Iacob and Ifrael.

Thirdly, when thou readest in the Prophets the name of any country or city which is not sufficiently knowne vnto thee, search this alphabeticall Table here following, and thou shalt finde the

whole matter declared vnto thee.

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An alphabeticall Table of all the Countries and Cities mentioned in the Prophets.

BARIM, that is, abridge or apaffage ouer. It was a mountain of the Moabits where the Braelites pitched their tents Num. 22.

ACHOR, the valley of Trouble. Here Achan was ftoned to death for his theeuery. It flood not farre from Gilgal toward the North, 12 miles from Ierusalem, 105.7.16a.6. ADAMA, Red earth. This was one of the cities that were destroi-

ed with fire and brimstone from heaven.

AI, Hilly. This city Ioshuah burnt with fire. It lay 8 miles from Ierusalem Northward, 101,8.

AIATH, Idem, Efa. 10.

AR, or ARI, a Lion. It was a city of the Moabits lying beyond Iordan in the tribe of Benjamin, called Ariopolis, scituated vpon the banke of the river Arnon, 24 miles from lerusalem North-Eastward, Dent. 2. In Esa. 15. it is called Arar, a Destroyer.

ARAM, Noble or Mighty. Armenia and Syria are so called, of Aram the fon of Sem; the chiefe city of which country is Damascus. Pliny, lib.6. 17. saith, The Scythians were also in antient times called Aramires.

ARNON, a famous river of the Moabites in the tribe of Revben, which falls into the dead sea, 20 miles from Ierusalem Eastward. In Efa. 16. it is called RANAN, he hath shouted for ioy.

AROER, by vsurpation, an Emetree. This is a city of the Moabits neere to the river Arnon, in the tribe of Gad beyond Iordan, 24 miles from Ierusalem Eastward, Ier. 40. There is another citie so called neere to Damascus in Syria, Esa. 7.

ARPAD, the light of redemption. This was a city in the land of Damascus,

Damascus, Ier. 49. There is another flourishing city of that name which may compare with Antiochia for greatnesse, Efa. 10. But where it is scituated it is vncertain.

ARVAD was a part of the land of Canaan, so called of Arnad the ion of Canaan, Gen. 10.

ASCIANES, or Tuiscones, are a people descended of Ascenitz, the fon of Gomer the fon of laphet, which fometimes dwelt in Armenia, but now have their abiding in Germany, 2 Gen. 10. Efa. 51. So that of Gomer they are called Germanes, and of Scanes, Ascanians or Tuiscons.

As SECA, fortified round about. Neer to this town David killed Colieb. It stood 8 miles from Ierusalem VVestward.

ASSVR or ASSYRIA, a bleffed country; being fo called of Affur the fon of Sem.

AVEN, Iniquity. Bethel was so called after Ieroboam had there servpa golden Calfe, Hof. 10. ોક્સિટર્સિંગ કર્યું કરો તેમ કે લેવાના એક જેવા તે જાઈનું કે જ ત્યાર કારણ સાંગ્રેષ્ટ્ર કેક્સ કરીય કોક્સ કેક્સ જ

DABEL, Confusion. Babylon is the metropolitan city of Chal-D das, 280 miles from Ierusalem Eastward.

BATH, Domesticall It was a town of the Moabits in the Tribe of Reuben beyond Iordan, Efa. 16.

BAZRA, a grape gathering. It was a city of the Edomites scituated vpon the banke of Iordan on the farther side, necre to Bethabara 20 miles from Ierufalem Northeastward, Esa. 24. 36. Ier. 48. Note here thrauthe country of the Moabies in times past was sublect to the Edomits, and then this city was in their jurisdiction; butafter the Moabits got it into their hands again and held it. It was one of the fix towns of refuge mentioned, lef. 29.

BEROTHAI, a Cypres tree. This towne stood neere Hemath or Antiochia, 280 miles from Ierusalem Northward, Ezek. 49. In this city David King of Israel tooke Hadadesar King of Zoba or Sophena and constrained him to give him a great deal of Brasse (as leibthought) years ly for tributes for neere that city were many brasse mines.

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It flood 8 miles from Ierusalem Northward.

BETH-CHEREM, the house of the Vines. It was a towne not far from Ierusalem Northward. Ier. 6. 1882 111

BETH-DIBLATHAIM, the house of dried Figs. It was a city of the Moabits, Ier. 48.

BETHIESIMOTH, the house of desolations. It was also a city of the Moabits beyond Iordan in the tribe of Reuben Jof. 12. Exection 25.20 miles from Ierufalem.

BETH-GAMVL, the house of Restitution. This was a city of the

Moabits, Ier. 48.

BETH-BAALMEON, the house of habitation for the idel Baal. It was a city of the Moabits, 24 miles from Ierusalem Eastward nor far from Aroer, Ezek, 25. 1 Chr. 5.

BVTZ, a Castle of prey. It was a city of the Ismaelites in Arabia Petraea, 80 miles from Ierusalem Southwestward, Ier. 25.

BEL and NEOB, two idols of the Babylonians, Efa. 45. Bel fig. nifieth, the god of mixture or confusion: Neob, the god of prophecie.

ALNO, his perfection. This is Seleucia, scituated upon Tygis beyond Babylon, 316 miles from Ierusalem Eastward. It is now called Bagdeth, Gen. 10. E(ay 2.

CANNE, a firme foundation. It was a city of the Syrians, Elik.

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CAPHIHOR, a little Sphere, or around globelike unto a Globe or pomegranat. Also Cappadocia a countrey of Asia the leffe, sool miles from lerufalem Northward. active the Lagrania and

CARCHEMIS, a sacrificed Lambe. This was scituated too need Euphrates in Syria, 400 miles from Ierusalem Northward, forming Cap. 13.5. Provide the state of the second second of the second s turberness 8 mailie form ten marken hard ward to have

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EEDAN, a city of the Idum wans, fo called of Dedan the low of Esau, Ier. 25. / sa. 21. DiBON, amift. This was a City of the Moabites need Hel-

bon in the tribe of Reuben, 28 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward.

DIBLATH, abunch of Figs. It was a city in the tribe of Nepthali, neere to the lake of Samoconites, 80 miles from Ierufalem Northward, Ezek. 6. Here Zedekiah had his eies put out, 2 Kin. 25 ler.39.52.

DIMON, Bloudy. This is a city in the tribe of Reuben, which as S. Icrom faith, is 28 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward.

DVMA, Silence. A city of the Isr aelites so called of Duma the son of Ismael. It stood in Arabia Petræa, 80 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest, Efay 25.21.

L'GBATHANA, the metropolitan city of the Medes, distant I from Ierusalem 1136 miles Northeastward.

EDEN, Pleasure. A city of Syria scituated neer Euphrates, 400 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward, Esay 7. This is thought to haue been a part of Paradice.

EGLAIM, aroud Drop. It was a town of the Moabites, Esay,

15.16.

ELAM, a Yong man, so called of Elem the son of Sem, Efa. 10.21 After Perfeus had got in this country a great gouernment, he called it after his own name, Persia.

ELEALE, the ascention of God. It was a city beyond Iordan in the tribe of Reuben, between Iacza and Hehbon, 26 miles from

lerusalem Northeastward, Num. 32.

ELIM, a Hart. This was a lake so called in the land of the Moabits. Efa. 10.

ELISA, the Lambe of God. So were the Æolians called in Grecia, of Elifa the son of Iavan the son of Iaphet, Ezek. 7. Gen. 10.

ENAGLAIM, the fountaine of Calves. It was a towne or Castle

neere to the Red sea, EZek. 10.

EPHA, the land of Obscuritie. It was a part of Arabia Petrea, so called of Epha, the sonne of Midian the sonne of Abraham, Gen. 25. Esa. 60.

G-GEBIM,

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EBIM, a Ditch. This was a town in the tribe of Iuda, Efa. 10.

GEBAH, a hill. It was a hill in the city of Kiriath-jearim: there was a town also of the same name, standing within a little of it. This was a little more than a mile from Ierusalem Westward, Esa. 10.

GEBAL, a bound or limit. It was the bounds and limits of Syria, bordering vpon the Mediteranean fea. This city Gibal or Gebal was 160 miles from Ierusalem Northward, 1 Reg. 5. Pfal. 82.

GIBEAH, a hill. It was also called Gibeon, where Saul dwelt,

foure miles from Ierusalem Northward, Esa. 10.

GILGAL, aroundle, or the compasse of a hill. Here Ioshuah pitched his tents: it stood between Iericho and Iordan, 12 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward.

Goo. The Turks were thus called because they lived in tents, $E \approx ek.48$.

GOSAN, a land and river in Mesopotamia, called after that name, 2 Reg. 17. Esa. 37.

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ADAD RIMMON, a Pomegranat. This was a towne necreto Megiddo, where Iosia King of Iudah was wounded to death, 46 miles from Ierusalem Northward, Zach. 12.

HADRACH, the land of Gladnesse. So the Prophet Zachary cals

Syria,cap.19.

HANES, an ensigne of Grace. This was a city of Egypt borde

ring vpon Assyria, Esa. 30.

HARAM, the Syrian liberty. It was the metropolitan Cities Mesopotamia, where Abraham dwelt, Gen. 11. distant from Ierusalem 440 miles Northeastward.

HAVERAN, a Casement. It was a City in Syria not farre from Damascus, 160 miles from Ierusalem towards the North-East, Ezek. 47.

HAZOR.

HAZOR-ENON, the gate of a fountain. It was a city in Syria. HAZOR-TICHON, the middle Porch. It was a town in Syria not far from Haveran, Ezek.47.

HAZOR, The land of Hay. So the Ismaelities called their coun-

trey

HEMATH, anger. So the Prophets called Antiochia the Metropolitan of Assyria, distant from Ierusalem 280 miles Northward.

HERMON, Acurst. It was a mountain beyond Iordan, neer to Libanus, 122 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northeast. There is another mountain of this name neer to Naim, and not far from Mount Tabor, 44 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, of which the Psalmist speaketh, Psal. 89. Tabor and Hermon praise thy Name. The mountain beyond Iordan is oftentimes called by the name of Mount Gilead.

HESBON, an ingenious cogitation. It was a city of the Moabites in the tribe of Reuben, 28 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast.

HENAH and IEVAH were two idols, Efa. 37.

HEVILAH, Sandy. So India is called, and a certain part of Arabia Petræa, of Hevilah the son of Chus, Gen. 10. These countries are very dry and sandy.

HETHLON, He hath rolled together. It was a city of Syria neere

to Antiochia, EZek. 47.

HOLON, a Window. It was a town of the Moabits in the tribe of Reuben, and is also called Helon, Num. 2. Ier. 47.

HORONAIM, the Syrian Liberties, two towns of the Moabits,

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ACHZA, the primity of God. A city of the Moabits in the tribe of Reuben, 24 miles from Ierusalem Eastward.

IAEZER, the bely of God. A city of Refuge belonging to the Leuits, in the tribe of Gad beyond Iordan, 40 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward.

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IAVAN GRECIA, so called of Iavan the son of Iapheth, which was distant from Ierusalem 800 miles Westward.

IEZREEL, the Seed of God. This is the city where Queen Iefa. bel was denoured of Dogs. It standeth 48 miles from lerusalem Northward.

IRHERES, or Heliopolis, a city of the Sun. This was a City of Egypt, 224 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southwest.

K EDAR, Blackneffe. This was a Defart of the Ismaelites, called Sur, 80 miles from Ierufalem Southwestward.

KIR PARIES, a Wall. This was Cyrene a great city in Africa. which was 8 16 miles from Ierusalem Westward. There was a town of this name in the land of the Moabits in the tribe of Reu. ben, E[a. 16.

KIR-HAZERETH, or Kir-Hares, a Mudwall. It was a City of the Moabits in Arabia Petræa, otherwise called Petra, 72 miles from Ierusalem towards the South, Esa. 16.

KIRIATHAIM, a City. This town was in the tribe of Reuben, 22 miles from Ierusalem Eastward, Esa. 16.

KIRIAH, or Kirieth, ibidem.

KITHIM, a shining Iewel. Macedonia is so called of Kithimthe fon of lavan the fon of laphet Gen. 10. Ier. 2. Mac. 1. For if you doe diligently observe the derivation of names, you shal find that of Kithim comes Maketis, and so by continuance of time, and change of words, Macedonia, It lieth 920 miles from Ierusalem North-Westward.

ACHIS, a continuall walking, or as some will have it, A pleasure walke. This was a city in the tribe of Inda, 20 miles from lerusalem Westward, Ier. 34.

LAIS A .a Lionesse. So was Cæsarea Philippi somtimes called. It was also called Dan, scituated neere to the fountains of themuer Iordan, not far from Mount Libanus, 104 miles from Ierusa lem Northeastward.

LIBNA, Frankincense. It was a town in the tribe of Iudah, 10

miles from Ierusalem towards the South-West.

LVD, that is, Lydia, a country in Asia minor, so called of Ludthe fonne of Sem.

LVIT, greene graffe; it is also a mountaine in the Tribe of Reuben, Esa. 6.

MAGOG and any under a fleed or tent. The Turks are so called,

MARESA, an inheritance. In this towne the Prophet Micab was borne, Micha 1. it was scituated in the Tribe of Iuda, distant from Ierusalem 16 miles towards the West.

MED A1, a measure; the Kingdome of Media was so called, of Medai the sonne of Iaphet Gen. 10.

MEDBA, warmewater: it was a city of the Moabits in the tribe of Reuben, 28 miles from Ierusalem towards the East, Esay 16.

MEDEMENA, a dung hill: it was a towne in the tribe of Iudah, neere Beerseba and Gaza, 44 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southwest, 10/h. 15. There was also another towns of the same name in the tribe of Benjamin, not farre from Ierusalem, tosh. 10. Ier.48.

MEGIDDO, a whole some apple. Here Iosia King of Iuda was slaint inwar; it stood 46 miles from Ierusalem Northward, Zach. 12.

MEPHAATH, the plender of waters: it was a citie belonging to the Priests in the Tribe of Reuben, subject to the Moabites, 24 miles from Ierusalem towards the East, Ier. 48.

MESECH, the tract of sowing: so the Muscouites and Russians are called, of Mesech the sonne of Iaphet, Gen. 10.

MIDIAN, a measure: a town lying vpon the red sea, 160 miles from Ierusalem towards the South; so called of Midian the son of Abraham by Keturah, Gen. 25.

MISPE, a Watch. This citie stood in the land of Giliad, beyond Iordan, eight and fortie miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast. There is another Towne of this name also not farre distant from Ierusalem in the Tribe of Benjamin, Hosea 5. Ierem.40.

MOAB, a futher. The countrie of the Moabites, scituated betweene the red sea and the mountaines Abarim, Ezech. 9.

MEVSAL, running fivifity: it was the name of a people that tooke their beginning from V fal the sonne of loktan. Gen. 19.

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ABAIOTH, the country of the Prophets: this country begin. neth in the Tribe of Gad beyond Iordan, and extendeth to the East part of the dead sea, and so by the land of the Moabites to the Red sea. It taketh the name of Nabaioth the sonne of Isl. mael: for all the tract of Arabia Petræa, from the Red sea to the Gulph of Persia, of him is called the land of Nabathæa. Diodorus Siculus saith as much, and further, That it extendeth towards the East vnto the Indian sea, Gen. 25.

NEBO, Prophesying. It was a city of the Moabites in the Tribe of Reuben, neere to mount Pisga, twentie miles from Ierusalem towards the East, Ier. 48.

NIMRIM, a Leopard. This was also a citie in the Tribe of Gad beyond Iordan, thirtie two miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast, Isa. 16.

No, a hinderance, so was Alexandria a citie in Ægypt in ancient times called, distant from Ierusalem 288 miles towards the West, Ezek. 30.

NoPH, a honey combe; fo the Prophets call Memphis the Metropolis of Ægypt, being distant from Ierusalem 244 miles to wards the Southeast, If a. 18. Ier. 2. EZek. 30.

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N, spulencie. So Ezech.c.30.calleth Heliopolis, a city of Ægypt, which is 224 miles distant from Ierusalem towards the Southwest.

OREB, a Crow or Rauen. Neere to this place in mount Ephraim Prince Oreb was flaine: not far from Iericho, twelue miles from Ierusalem towards the North, Iudg. 7.Psal. 83.

OPHIR, a pallace: it was the proper name of the sonne of Johan, the posteritie of Sem, of whom in times past India was called Ophir. You may reade of this, Gen. 10. 1 Reg. 9.

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PATHROS, or PETRA, the Metropolitan citie of Arabia Petrea, 72 miles from Ierufalem towards the South It is a country also of Ægypt neete Taphnis, 180 miles from Ierufalem toward the Southwest, Isin IEzech. 29.

PARATH, fruitfull. A name of the river Euphrates, Itr. 2.13. PRAZIN, a breach. It is a valley neere I erufalem, where Danid overcame the Philistines, 2 Sam. 3.

PHVT is Africa, so called of Phuth the sonne of Cham. Gen. 10.

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R ABBA, amulitude. Philadelphia the Metropolitan of the Ammonites is so called, 96 miles from lerusalem towards the Northeast.

RAEMA; hunder: fo they called Æthyopia, of Raema the sonne of Chu, Gen. 10.

RAMA, bigh. This citie flood eight miles from Ierusalem towards the North, Isa. 10. There were other cities also of the same name and fignification.

REZEPH, a cole; it was a citie in Syria, Ifa. 37.

RIBLATH, an inveterate anger. This was a citie in the Tribe of Nepthaly, neere to the lake of Samoconites, 80 miles from Ierufalem towards the North. Antiochia also was sometimes called Riblah, 2 Reg. 25. Ier. 39.52.

RIMMON, a Pomegranat. This was a citie in the Tribe of Iudah not far from Gerar, 32 miles from Ierusalem towards the South-East.

SABA, the stone Achates. This was the Metropolitan Citie of Æthyopia, called also Meroe, 960 miles stom Ierusalem towards the South. The two samous Queenes (one that came to see Solomon, the other mentioned AA.8.) dwelt in this towne.

SANIR, a cleere light. So mount Hermon beyond Iordan was called of the Ammonites: it flood 112 miles from Ierufalem towards the Northeaft.

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SARION, the Dones fong. So the Edomites called Mount Hermon that stood beyond Iordan.

SARON, a faire plaine, or a greene place. So is that plain between the sea of Galile and Mount Ephraim called, 1/.35. There are fome that thinke there is a Mountaine fo called.

SELA, a Rocke: this is Petra a citie of Arabia, ante.

SEPHARVAIM, a citie of the Scribes: it Rood in Affiria, Ifa. 37. SIBARIM, a citie of Syria neere to Damascus, Ezech. 47.

SIBMA, apossession, a citie built by the fons of Reuben, 24 miles

from Ierusalem towards the East, Num. 32.

SICHOR, blacke. It is a brooke or river called Rhinocorurus. which falleth into the Mediterranean sea, neere to the towneRinocorura, scituated vpon the vtmost borders of the Holy land towards the South, 72 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest. The river Nilus in Ægypt is also called Sichor, Ier. 2.

SIMRI, Gardians. They were Arabians dwelling vpon an Angle of Ishumus of the red sea.

SINEAR, a blow upon the teeth. Chaldea is fo called, If. 11.

SION, or SCAION, by Schin, not by Zade, tranquilitie and securitie: the Mount whereon Ierusalem stood is not so called, but Mount Hermon beyond Iordan, Deut. 4.

SIENE, or SEVENE, lillustrous: it was a citie in Affrica, vpon the borders of Ægypt and Æthyopia, 516 miles from Ierusalem towards the South. Iouias faith, that the inhabitants at this day call it Guagheram.

ACHPANES, or TAPHNIS, a concred or hidden ensigne. It is a city in Ægypt,180 miles from lerusalem Southwestward, Ierem.2.43.

THAMAR, a plaine. This towne was built by Solomon, and stood 360 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast.

THELASSER, a Princes tombe: it was a country upon the borders of Affiria, Ifay 37.

THEMATH wonderfull: a city of Arabia Petras, ler. 25. focalled of Thama the sonne of Ismael, Gen. 25. it stood 40 miles from Ierusalem Southward: it is called Theman, a City of the South.

THOGARMA, perfection, Tartaria was so called of Thegarma the sonne of Gomer the sonne of laphet, Gen. 10. Ezech. 27.

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THYBAL, a people bordering upon the Muscouites, so called of Thubal the sonne of Iaphet, Gen. 10. Ezekiel, cap. 27. 6 38. maketh Melech, Thubal, Gog, and Magog, all one people : from whence may be gathered, that these people dwelt towards the North, and were gouerned by one Prince. In the 38 Chapter he calls them Gog, that is, the Turke, who is Prince and gouernor in Mesech and Thubal. Therefore without doubt the people of Russia in times past were called Thubal, which people dwelt neere to Muscouia: and this opinion seemes to be more probable than theirs that imagine the Italians and Spaniards, which have their dwellings neere vnto the river Iberia, to be the offspring of Thu-

TPHAR, the countrey of gold. It is called also Ophir and India. 1 Reg. 9. ler. 10. Dan. 10. Psal. 119.

ZEB, a Wolfe. The wine-presse of Zeb was in Mount Ephraim, not far from Iericho, 12 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, where Zeb the Prince of the Midianites was slaine. There is another towne of this name, neere to the river Iaboch, beyond lordan, 48 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast.

ZEBOIM, pleasantnesse. One of the five cities that were burnt with fire from heaven, Gen. 14.19. Hosea 11.

ZENAN, a sheepfold it was a city in the Tribe of Inda, Mich. 1.

ZOAN, mouing. Tanis a city in Ægypt where Moses wrought al his miracles before Pharaoh, was so called: it stood 232 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest.

ZOBA, presumptuous. This was also called Zophena: it is the countrey of Armenia, 600 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, which Dauid conquered, 2 Sam. 8. 1 Chron. 19.

ZOR, arocke. Tyrus is so called; it stood 160 miles from Ierufalem towards the North.

Thus

THOGAR.

Thus (gentle Reader) for your better ease and vnderstanding, haue I collected a short Alphabeticall Table, and therein briefly described all those countries and cities mentioned in the Prophets: that so by your diligent care and observation, you may the better vnderstand the meaning of such texts of Scripture wherein they are mentioned.

Of Esdras the Lawyer.

Esdras fignifies, a helper, of Afar, he helped. He is a type of our Lord Iefus Christ, who is our helper and Sauiour, which hath brought vs into that holy land, eternall life; and is the restore of religion, and the Christian Common-wealth.

This Efdras was fent to Icrusalem, to restore the commonwealth of the Iewes, Anno mandi 3511, before Christ, 457, in the seuenth yeare of Artaxerxes Longimanus, that good Emperour of the Persians. So he went from Babylon to Ahaua, a certaine river neere Babylon; to which place he affembled a great multitude of Iewes, and from thence sent to Caspia to setch acertaine number of Leuites, (this land was in Chaldea not sar from Babylon.) These being here met together, celebrated a sult vnto the Lord, and with solemne prayers besought his aide and surtherance in their enterprise: then they went thence to Ierusalem, which was 680 miles, and there restored the Iudaicall government, instituting Ecclesiasticall officers, chiefe Priests, Princes and other governours.

Of the land of Caspia.

The land of Caspia signifieth, the land of silver, being derived of Kesaeph, that is, silver. It was so called, because they vied to dig silver in that place (see Lyra) it was a country neere Babylon, where the priests and Leuites were in captivitie; and sood as o miles from Ierusalem towards the East.

of Nehemia.

IN the 20 yeare of Artaxerxes Longimanus, which was anno mun. 3524, and before Christ, 444, Nehemias went from Susan to Ierusalem, which was 920 miles, there hee repaired the walls and gates in 52 daies, Nehem. 1.2.6.

When he had gouerned Iudæa 12 yeares, he returned backe againe to Susan to Artaxerxes Longimanus, which was 920 miles,

Nehem.3.

Afterward Artaxernes about the end of his raigne suffered Nehemia to returne backe agains to Ierusalem, which was 920 miles, Nehem. 17. So these journeyes of Nehemia make 2760 miles. Of this citie Susan you may reade before.

of the name and typicall signification of Nehemiah.

Nicham, He hath comforted. This man was a type of our Lord lelus Christ; for as Nehemias was a comfort vnto the dispersed lewes, in that he was sent to restore them into their own country, and to rebuild Ierusalem; so Christ our comforter was sent by his Father from that euerlasting throne of heauen, to refresh & comforts by his doctrine, and gather the dispersed members of his Church into one communion, that he might bring them into that heauenly Ierusalem which he hath built, and where he hath prepared a place for vs.

The Travels of Scrubabel.

Serubabel carried the people of Israel from Babylon to Ierusalem, which was 680 miles, in the first yeare of Cyrus Emperor of Persia, anno mundi 3433, before Christ, 535.

In the 17 yeare of his gouernment he went from Ierusalem to

Susan 920 miles, 3 Esd. 3.4.

From Susan he went to Babylon, which was 242 miles, 3 Ef. 4.
From Babylon in the same yere he returned to Ierusalem, 680 miles

miles, where the next yeare after, in the beginning of the fecoal moneth, which answers to the 21 of May, in the 3 yere of Darius Abasuerus, Zerubabel, and Iosua, the chiefe Priests of the Iewes, began to build the Temple, and finisht it in the sixt yere of the same King, 1 Esd. 6. So all the trauels of Zerubabel were 2280 miles.

The Booke of Ester.

Ordochius was led prisoner with techoniah, to Babylon, which was 680 miles.

From Babylon he went to Susan, which was 252 miles there he brought vp Ester his brothers daughter, and taught her honest discipline and the seare of God. This maid was very beautifull and comely, wherefore at such time as Darius Ahasnerus (the fonne of Hystashis) had caused all the beautifull Virgins of his Empire to be brought before him, that from among st them he might chuse him a wife; Mordochius adorned this Virgin with goodly apparell, and the also went with them: in whose presence (by his instruction) she behaued her selse so well, that the Empefor chose her from among the rest, and made her his Queene, she being at that time but a poore maid, and of small abilitie. They were married in Susan in the second yere of his Empire, an, neun. 3454, and before Christ, 514. From whence it is euident, That preferment commeth neither from the East, nor from the West, but from the Lord. So these two journies make 9 12 miles.

The Types and Allegories collected out of the Booke of Ester.

Mordochius, or Mordochai signifies bitter and contrite, being deriued of Marah, He was bitter, and Dashah, Sorrowfull and contrite. A fit refemblance of that true Mordochiu, Christ Iesus, who for our sinnes and offences was constrained to drinke of that bitter cup of afflictions, the necessities of this world, suffering in his body more than tollerable torments, as you may

made in his passion; therefore justly called Mordochius, that is, bitter and contrite.

Efter and Alma have both one fignification, that is, a virgin, or one kept from the bed of man. Therefore the was a notable image of the Church, who keepeth her felfe chast and videfiled, auovding the fociety of euill men; and although the feeme to be desolate and for saken in this world, in respect of the wicked (who fourish like a floure, and glory in voluptuousnesse and pleasure) vet hath shee her Mordochius, her Spouse, her deerely beloued. which prouides for her euen Iesus Christ that immaculate lambe who died for her faluation, and will clothe her in white, put into her hand a regall scepter, crowne her with glory, and set her with him in the throne of eternall happinesse.

Abasuerus signifies, a noble Captaine, and typically represents Godthe father: for as the Emperour had the command of 127 Provinces, and in them did principally rule; so God our heavenly father is the Emperor and gouernor of all Kingdomes, and all creatures both in heaven and in earth be obedient to his will; he fitteth in that euerlasting pallace of heauen, that place of joy, and that eternall Paradice, from whence he looketh downe to behold vs miserable and distressed creatures upon earth; of his mercifull goodnesse electing and chusing vs to be heires of that eternall Kingdome, and purifieth vs with the graces of his holy Spirit, so that we might be made capable to sit with him in eternall felicitie.

The disdainfull Queene Vastby may be a fit Type and Effigies. of this world, not onely in respect of her pride, but her excesse in drinking; taking her name from Schatha, which fignifies, To drinke: fo this World liueth in all manner of prodigalitie and luxurie, and contemneth the Lord and King thereof, that Almighty God which fitteth in the Heauens; and therefore is justly throwne downe from that eternall Kingdome; whereas on the contrary, humble Efter (that is, the Church) is taken up into dignitie, and crowned in that everlasting Kingdome of Heauen.

Haman fignifies, A rebellious and proud man : being derived of HAMAN, He hath stirred up a tumult : typically representing

the Diuel, whom God in the beginning made a good Angell, exalted him in the heauens, and made him much more glorious than others; yet notwithstanding glorying in himselse, bee contemned his Maker, & nothing would content him but to become like vnto him, yea he defired to be worshipped of our Lord lesus Christ, Mat. 4. And as Haman endeauoured to ouerthrow not only all the people of the Iewes, but Queene Hester also; so the Di. uell doth not onely eudeauour to ouerthrow the whole Church. but if it were possible the head of the Church Christ Iesus.

Of that holy man lob,

06 was a holy and good man: he dwelt in the land of Vz, 10 called of Vz the sonne of Aram the son of Sem, as S. Ieromevpon Genefis observeth. This Vz was that great man which built (as was thought) Damascus in Syria, and all the land which extendeth from Damascus to Iordan, after his name was called Vz, that is, the land of counsell, fot so Vz signifieth. There were two townes in this countrey, where Iob is said to have dwelt; that is, Astaroth Carnaim, and Batzra: Asteroth Carnaim was distant from Ierusalem, 52 miles towards the Northeast, the inhabitants of which towne worshipped the goddesse Venus, and called her by the name of Aftaroth, of which you may reade before. S. lerome faith, That the sepulchre of lob was to be seene in his time in that towne; and later writers testifie as much for their times. This towne at this day is called Carnea.

Batzra is mentioned in the 36 of Genesis, it signifieth a grapegathering. In this towne it was thought that tob was borne, it lay beyond Iordan in the tribe of Reuben, 20 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast. All this countrey in those times was subject to the King of the Edomites or Idum zans; but after it was joyned to the land of the Moabites, they having conquered the kings of Edom: you man reade more of it in the 6 of Isay, also Iss. 20. where is shewed, that it was one of the fix cities of refuge, appointed by Ioshua. Heere Iob for the most part continued and held this towne in great honour and reputation.

He lived about the time of Bala, first king of the Edomites: and according to the opinion of Saint Ierom, Augustine, Ambrose, Philo. and Luther, was for his excellent vertue and fingular picty, chosen King of that countrey, which he greatly enlarged, making all the countries and neighbouring Princes neer adjoining, tributary vnto him:wherfore (as Ierom faith, in locis Hebraicis) having obtained lo large an Empire, he remoued his feat from Batzra to Astaroth Carnaim, which was a strong and well defenced citie, where in those times (as Moses witnesseth, Gen. 14.) there inhabited mightiemen, and noble Heroes; that so by their vertue he might with the greater facilitie suppresse and conquer other Provinces.

There are many thinke him to be of the stocke of Abraham, and of the family of Esau, because he is mentioned in the 36 of Genesis where it is faid, That when Bala died, Iobab the sonne of Zerah of Boxraor Bet Traraigned in his stead. And Saint Ierom in his preface vpon the booke of Iob sheweth, that he was but fine degrees remoued from Abraham: for

Abraham had

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Basmath, who was the wife ef Esau, mother of Reguel,	
grandmother to Sarah, and	Reguel
great grandmother to Iob. So	Serah
that by the mothers fide 10b	3.6740
descended from Ishmael, and by the fathers side from Esau.	Iob or Iobab, king of Idu
	mæa, <i>Gën</i> .36.

Notwithstanding there are some that are of opinion, That he descended from Naher, Abrahams brother; and was of the family of Vz, Nahors sonne: which opinion also Saint Ierom mentioneth in his Hebraicall questions. But most of the antient fathers hold this nothing so probable.

Luther upon the 36 chapter of Genefis faith, That he was King long time before Moses carried the children of Israelout of A-

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gypt. For Iuda and Afer the sonnes of Iacob, had children before they went into the land of Ægypt, Gen. 46. therefore it is not im. possible for Reguel the sonne of Esan, to have children also, since he was married long before his brother Iacob. From hence then it may be gathered, that Iob was King of Idum a before lacob and his sonnes went into the land of Ægypt. For although the sour. teene sonnes of Esau gouerned the land of Edom, like so many Princes (of which number Requel the grandfather of lob was one) because they held it as their inheritance; yet to avoid sedition and distractions, which oftentimes happen where there is nota certaine head and principall commander, therefore they elected Bela the sonne of Beer to be their King: after whose death they chose 10b, because he was a holy man of God, and in his actions just and vpright; who without doubt raigned amongst the Edo. mites a long time. For he lived after his afflictions (which God imposed voon him to trie him) 140 yeares. Plate saith, he manied Dina the daughter of Iacob: but Saint Ierome, That he manied the daughter of an Arabian, by whom hee had Enon. Both these may be true; for his first wife being dead he might marrie an Arabian.

After the death of Iob, the Gyants & Heroes in Asteroth Carnaim fell againe from the Idumæans; for when Moses brought the children of Israel out of the desart of Arabia Petraa, and that they had conquered the land beyond Iordan, the city Astaroth-Carnaim had a King called og, who gouerned all the Kingdome of Basan. This Gyant was of a mighty stature; he had a bed of * Foure yards yron * nine cubits long, and foure broad, Deut. 3.

& a half long, & two broad.

Of Eliphaz.

Liphaz the Themanite was the brother of Reguel, Iobs grandfather. This Eliphaz had a sonne called Theman, who built a citie, and after his owne name called it Theman, where Eliphaz his father dwelt with him. From whence it hapned that he was called Elipbaz the Themanite, tob 2. It was distant from Ierufalem forty miles towards the South, and therefore it was called a citie

Of Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar, Iobs friends.

acitie of the South: you may reade of Eliphaz in Ier.cap. 25. He had a Concubine called Thimmah, because of her beauty & comelyproportion: by her he had Amaleck, of whom came the Amafekites, betweene whom and the children of Israel were cruell wars, Exod. 17.

The Tranels of Eliphazthe Themanite.

PRom Themen hee went to Astaroth-Carnaim, where Iob dwelt, which is accounted 92 miles, to comfort his friend Iob,

From Astaroth-Carnaim he returned backe to his owne house, which was 92 miles. So the trauels of Eliphaz were 184 miles.

of Bildad, Iobes friend.

D Eyond Iordan and the fea of Galile not farre from A Raroth-Carnaim, there is at this day found a town called Suah, where (as it is thought) Bildad the friend of Iob dwelt. Neer to this towne (as Sebastian Francus observeth in his Cosmographie) there was yerly in the Summer season a great mart kept in certain tents and tabernacles erected for that purpose, of divers colours. Bildad fignifies an antient friend, and Suah taketh the name from defolation, being deriued of Scho, he hath made defolate.

of Zophar the friend of Iob.

Ophar dwelt in the citie of Naema, Iosh. 15. but how farre Lit flood from Ierusaiem is vncertaine. Zophar, of Zaphar, signifierh, swift. Macma signifies, pleasant and delectable, of Naem, courteous and comfortable.

of Iobs daughters.

He Lord gaue vnto 106 after his affliction, and that he had tried his faithfulnesse, three daughters, so faire, that there were none fairer to be found in all the land. The name of the first was Iemmima, that is, as faire as the day, of 10m, which signifies, a day. The second Kazia, that is, such a one as giveth a pleafant favor like vnto the gum Cassia. The third, because of the excellencie of her countenance was called Karen Hapuch, that is, cassing forth rayes or beames, 106.42.

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APOCRYPHA.

The Booke of IVDETH.

Of Egbatana.

Fter the death of Arbattus or Arphaxad, which signissis a mighty Lyon, to whom Ionas prophecied, as is faid be fore; there succeeded in the Empire of the Medes, Mandancs, Sarsomenes, Artecarnis, Cardiceas, and Deioces; who being enthronised in that Empire, called himselse Arphand or Arbattus, the second. This man built Egbatana the metropolitan citie of the Medes, and beautified it with very faire buildings & goodly walls, made all of foure square stone cut and polished, 70 cubits high, and 30 broad; towers standing upon it 100 cu bits in height, as well those that were for the defence of the town, as those where the gates were. The aire in that country was temperate, inclining rather to cold than heate, because it lay toward the North: it flood 1136 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward. Here(for the most part) this Emperor kept his court, till (as Herodolus faith) he was vtterly conquered by Nebuchadnezzar, Emperor of the Babylonians. This was that Nebuchadnez Zar which

fent Holofernus with a mighty army against Iudæa, Bethulia, and many other cities and countries, and would be worshipped as a god Iudeth.3.

Of Hydaspes.

Hydaspes is a river that ariseth in Media, which runneth thorough a part of Parthia, extendeth it selfe into India; and not farre from the citic Nisa falleth into Indus, according to the opinion of Pliny, and Strabo, lib. 15. Neere this river Nabuchadnezzar overcame Dieoces, otherwise called Arbastus, Indg. 1.

The description of the countries conquered by HOLOFERNES.

Of Kedar.

Edar (the wildernesse of Zur was thus called:) stood in the land of the Ishmaelites, 80 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest: and tooke the name of Kedar the sonne of Ishmael, Gen. 25.

Of the mountaines of Ange.

The mountaines of Ange, lay betweene Pamphilia and Cicilia; to the latitude of that famous country of Cilicia in Asia minor, 320 miles from Ierusalem towards the North; not farre from Anchiale a citie of Cilicia, from whence it seemeth to take thename.

Of Cilicia.

Cilicia is a province of Asia minor; so called of Cilice the kings fonne of Seria and Phoenicia: the Metropolitan Citie of which countrey was Tharsus, where the Apostle Paul was borne; it was distant from lerusalem 304 miles towards the North.

Of Mallos.

Mallos a cirie of Cilicia, was focalled of Malo, that is, plenty of all things. Stephanus faith, that it took that name of Mollo, who first built it. It is a citie to this day, and of most of the inhabitants of that country called Mallo, as Gesuer observeth.

Of Gefem.

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Esem signisses, fruitfull. The land of Gosen in Ægypt was so called, being deriued of Gusch, that is, a turfe: it stood 174 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest.

Of Athyopia.

His country stands beyond Ægipt, 800 miles from Ierusalem towards the South, where the Sunne is extreme hot, that it turneth the complexion of the inhabitants to blackenesse: here breed great abundance of Dragons and cruell beafts.

Of Esdrelon.

C Sdrelon was a plaine lying betweene the mountains, Thabor, L Hermon, and Gilboa, extending it felfe from the cities of Me giddo and Apheck, to the sea of Gennezareth or Gali'e. Inthis great field, which was called the plaine of Galile, and the field of Megiddo and Efdrelon, there were many cruell battels fought; for here Gideon ouercame the Midianites here Saul was purto flight by the Philistins, from whence ascending into Aoust Gil. boa he killed himselfe. Iosias also, King of the Iewes, was in this place put to flight by Phar soh Necho, and wounded vnto the death, The camp of Holofernes was so great that it tooke vp all the plain, which contained 16 miles in length. In some parts it was wonderfull fruitfull, and brought forth wine, oyle, and many other commodities in great abundance. It flood 52 miles from Iew falem towards the North, and was so called of Cader, that is, a hid order and disposition: for Alam is as much to say as, he hath hid.

Of Sobal.

CObal was a countrey upon the borders of Syria, where Sophe-Ona was scituated, neere to the river Euphrates; which country Saul and David Kings of Israel somtime conquered: it stood 600 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, and signifies, an earest corne.

Of Apamea.

His was a famous citie in Tetrapolis of Syria, two hundred A and eighty miles from Ierusalem towards the North, built of Seleucus Nicanor King of Syria, and was fo called of Apamea his wife.

Of the city Bethulia.

DEthulia was scituated within 4 miles of Dothan, and two of D the Galilean sea, 44 miles from Ierusalem Northward. Ahout four miles from this town, in a mountain a little beside Dothan, lay the tents of Holofernes in the fight of Bethulia, Iudeth c. 7. between which & Bethulia lay the plain of Esdrelon, in the midst whereof there ran a pleafant river, which in times past watred it. Here Iudeth (according to the custome of the Iewes) washed her selfe. The place where Bethulia stood is to be seene at this day, the ruins of the town and many houses still remaining. It was scituated vpon a goodly high mountaine, strongly fortified by Nature, and as it seemeth by art also. A man might have seen it thorough the greatest part of Galile, but aboue the rest, a certain cafile in the end of the mountain, made for the defence of the city. They shew at this day, in the mountaine and field neere Dothan, the place where Holofernes camp stood, and the reliques of their tents; also the brook where Iudeth washed her selfe. Bethulia signifieth, The hand-maid of God; being derived of Bethulah, a virgin; and Iah, God. Holofernes, a prophane Captaine, of which fort are those tyrants that persecute the Church of God.

The Booke of TOBIAS.

The Travels of Tobias the elder.

Obias the elder was caried captine out of the tribe of Nep-thaly, where he was born, to Ninive the Metropolitan city of Assiria, being 600 miles: at such time as Salmanasser King of the Assyrians caried away the tenne tribes of Israel into Affyria Captine; in the yeare before Christ 742. 2 Kings, ca. 17. Tob. 1. From that time he continued in Ninive, being then about ²⁷ years old, and numbred among st the yong men that went into

exile; for he was born about such time as Romulus and Remus were born, which was An. mun. 3200. and before Christ 798, Tob. 1.

About the 30 years of his age he went from Niniveh into Me. dia, which was 752 miles, and there came to a city called Rages in that country, to visit the banished I fraelites: at which time hee lent by Gabel by bond, 10 talents of filuer, which amounts in our mony, at v.s. vi.d. the ounce, to 2062 li. and 10 s. or thereabouts.

From Rages he returned backe againe to Niniveh, 752 miles.

So all his trauels were 2104 miles.

The Travels of the Angell Raphel, and yong Tobias.

TN the yeare before Christ 708, the Archangell Rapbel went I from Niniveh to Rages in Media, with Tobias the yonger, be. ing 752 miles.

From Rages in Media they returned backe again to Ninivel,

752 miles.

So these journies were 1504 miles.

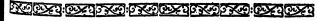
The description of the places mentioned in their traucls, Of Nepthaly.

His was the chiefe city of the tribe of Nepthaly, 84 miles from Ierusalem toward the North. It stood in Galileand in times past was a strong town: here Tobias the elder was bom. It is to be seene at this day (as some say) but much decayed; and is now called by the name of Sirin, scituated in a mountain so steep and strongly fortified by nature upon the West side, that it is inpossible to ascend upon it. In a valley some two miles from this towne towards the South, Naason spoken of in the first Chapter of Toby is scituated. Vpon the left sidewhereof there stoods towne called Sophet: but now there is nothing to be feenebut a Castle, where in antient times the Knights Templers kept their abiding, and at this day is in the custody of the Turks. This calle is scituated upon a high mountaine, fortified very strongly

both by art and nature, and standeth within a mile of Nepthaly Southwestward. At such time as Insephus that great Historiogra. pher (who was the sonne of Matthia of Marathia, a Priest of the lewes) was chosen chiefe Commander of the tribe of Nepthaly, hegathered an army of 100000, and fortified this castle & Nepthaly, and many other townes thereabouts, continuing a long and sharp war against the Romans, untill Nepthaly was taken and he constrained to yeeld himselfe captine. In the taking in of which town Titus the son of Vespasian did first ascend the walls, & there made manifest his noble resolution and valor. Vid. Iof. de bell, Iud. lib.3 & 4.

Of Rages a city of the Medes.

R Ages is so called of a great Congregation, being derived of Ragasch, that is, He hath assembled a great company; for it was a very populous city. It was also called (as Strab, li. 11. Colmograp. saith) Rahga: but after being rebuilt and fortified by Nicanor, it was by him called Europus, beeing distant from Ierusalem 1396 miles toward the Northeast. The Persians call it Arsacia. S.lerom. de Trad. Hebr. would have Edissa, a city of Mesopotamia (orrather as Pliny faith, of Coelosyria) to be Rages, which stands but 448 miles from Ierusalem Northward and from Ninive 188 miles Westward. There are divers others that have wrot of this town of Edissa: but that this and Rages should be both one I canot see how to agree with Toby; for that hee himselfe hath set it down to stand in Media, and the Cities of the Medes lie distant from Ierusalem 1296 miles. Therefore gentle Reader I referre it to thy better confideration.



of Iesus the some of Syrach.



Trach signifies an Illustrous Prince, being derived of Sarach, he hath shined forth:he was of that noble family of David, that is, the fon of Syrach the fon of lefu, & coufin german to Amos Syrach, who (as Philo faith) was the chiefe

chiefe prince and captain of the children of Israel in the time of Ptolomeus Philadelphus King of Egypt, & is inserted into the gene. alogie of Christ, Like 3. He was born 230 years before Christ, in the city Ierusalem, from whence about the 38 yeare of his age he went to Alexandria, a city of Egypt, 288 miles (Evergetes Ptolo. mais the sonne of Philadelphus being then King of that countrev where he gathered out of that flourishing Library (set up at the charge of Ptolomais Philadelphus) his booke of Ecclefiasticus as bees from divers floures gather sweet hony.

Of the great city Alexandria.

Lexandria was a city of Egypt, distant from Ierusalem 288 miles Westward; in antient time called No, that is, a Hin. derance. But Alexander the Great taking affection to this city, in the yere 330 before Christ began to build it (for by continuance of time it was much decayed) and within the space of 17 dayes made it a goodly city, much greater than it was before:to which that he might adde the greater grace, he called it after his owner name Alexandria; and there he lieth buried, after hee had gouerned the empire of the Grecians 7 yeares. For although he died in Babylon the chiefe city of the Chald ans, yet Ptolomais (one of his chiefe Princes) remoued his body thence in a golden chariot to Memphis in Egypt, and 20 years after to Alexandria. Thescituation thereof is very delectable, bordering to the North vpon the Mediterranian sea, and to the South upon the poole of Mareridis, as Strabo faith, lib. 17. It was ten miles about, strongly fortified with walls, beautified with goodly buildings, scituated ina very fruitfull countrey. And to give a greater delight vnto the inhabitants, without the Walls there stood many goodly Orchards and Gardens, plentifully furnished with fruits and floures of divers kindes, as Pomecitrons, Figges, &c. During the time of Ptolomais Philadelphus it was a famous and flourishing city; for this Prince being a great louer of learning, instituted an Academy, as it is thought, in it, and added thereto a stately library, where in were 400000 Bookes. The fame whereof beeing published through.

through the world, many people of divers Nations reforted this ther to fee it. Then Eleazer also the high-priest of the Iews, at the request of Ptolemais sent 72 Interpreters to translate the Bible out of Hebrew into Greeke; which was (as Eusebius observeth) in the third yeare of his reign, before Christ 268. In recompence whereof he fent to be dedicated in the Temple of Ierusalem a table of gold, richly adorned with Carbuncles, smarages, and other pretious stones; two stately cups, and 30 boules of pure gold, as appeareth in Iofep. lib. Antiq. 12. The Academy continued there till after Christs time, as you may reade Acts 6. But the Library was confumed 47 yeares before Christ, and the city greatly defaced. For Iulius Cafar at that time making war with Pompey the yonger, who continued with his fifter Cleopatra in this City, caused the Kings navy to be fet on fire, and the Library standing neer it, the flame tooke hold of it, and burnt it downe to the ground with all that was in it, and defaced also a great part of the city.

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losephus writing of this city, compares it with the fairest cities of those times, being strongly fortified both by sea and land, so that it seemed to be inuincible. But at this day it is but a smal city, the incursions of forrein enemies having wasted and destroied the greater part, and left the rest to be a wonder to the world, the heaps and ruins of goodly buildings making euident lamentable destructions. Thus man with his devices perisheth, but the Lord endu-

reth for ener.

Vpon the Booke of MACHABES.

The Tranels of Antiochus Epiphanes.

Ntiochus Epiphanes, that is, An illustrous Aduersary, in the Nitochus Epiphanes, that is, An illustrous Addersary, in the yeare of Christ 380, was sent out of Syria by Antiochus the Great, to Rome, which 1600 miles, where he remained as anhostage for his father and his brother Seleucus Philopater seuenteen yeares, I Mac. I. After X_3

After the death of his father he stole secretly from Rome, and went backe again to Antiochia in Syria, which was 1600 miles. and there succeeded his brother Seleucus Philopater in the gouern. ment. He began to reign 173 yeares before Christ.

In the third yeare of his reign he went from Antiochia to Tv. rus, 60 miles: in that journey he conquered all the lower part of

Syria and Phœnicia.

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From thence he went aboue fixe fcore miles through Galilee and Iudæa, conquering al the cities and countries that lay in his way; and would also have gon downe into Egypt; but when hee heard that his nephew Ptolomais Philometor had proclaimed anaf. fembly and parliament, and would not acknowledge him for his Protector, he fent Apolonius one of his princes, vpon the day of the meeting into Egypt, and he himselfe returned back again to Ioppa, 2 Mac.4.

From Ioppa hee went to Ierufalem, which was 20 miles, where Tason the high-Priest and all the people received him with great honour. At that time Antiochus placed a Gard in the Castle or tower of Ierusalem, which was the beginning of their intolerable

seruitude.

But for that yeare, which was the fourth of his reign, he returned through Phœnicia to Antiochia in Syria, 280 miles.

In the fift yeare of his reign hee went from Antiochia with great army into Cilicia, being 80 miles. There he appealed the vprores of the inhabitants of Tharfus and Mallotus, and conquered all Cilicia, 2 Mac.4.

From Cilicia he returned backe againe to Antiochia, eightie miles.

In the fixt yeare of his reign Antiochus went with a great army both by sea and land (wherein were many Elephants) to Pelusio, 400 miles. This city he conquered, and ouercame the Alexandrians in a navall battell. 2 Mac.4.

From Pelusio (having built a bridge over Nilus) he went with his army to Memphis, conquerd all the countries & strong eitles as he went, about 140 miles, and brought thither a mightie and great prey:where according to the faying of the Prophet Daniel, sap. 11. He dealt subtilly with Ptolomais Philometer.

From Memphis he returned to Alexandria, where the citisens would not fuffer him to enter the gates, wherefore he befreged it, but to small purpose, which was 120 miles.

From Alexandria he returned to Pelusio, which was 160 miles. there he lest a garrison to retaine what hee had gotten in Ægypt.

I Mac. 4.

From Pelufio he returned to Antiochia with a great prey, being 400 miles. In the mean time Ptolomais King of Egypt, & his fister Cleopatra brought in the aid of the Romanes, Livy, Decad. lib.4.5.

In the next yeare (that is, in the seuenth yeare of Antiochus Epiphanes) there was seen in the aire as if there had been men fighting; a Comet also appeared. This happened in the yeare before

Christ 167.

This yeare in the fpring Antiochus went the second time from Antiochia with his army into Alexandria in Egypt, which was 160 miles. So passing through Coelosyria and Iudæa, hee came into Egypt, which he inuaded with open war, endeauoring to get that by force, which hee could not get by entreaty. But the Romans fent P. Popillius with other Embassadours into Egypt, who hearing that Antiochus was come to Leusia, which was within a mile of Alexandria, the Romanes went thither to him. Where when he had welcommed them, and shewedall the courtesse hee could to P. Popillius, P. Popillius deliuered him certain tables that hehad about him written. And first of all commanded him to reade them, which he did. Then he counselled with some of his friends. What was best to be done in the businesse. While he was thus in a great study, P. Popillius with a wand that hee had in his hand made a circle about him in the dust, saying, Erethou stirre a foot out of this circle returne thy answer that I may tell the Senate Whethou hadst rather have warre or peace. This hee vttered with such a firme countenance, that it amased the King. Wherefore, after hehad paused a while, quoth hee, I will doe what the Senate hath written, or shall thinke fit. So doing little or nothing in Egypt, becreturned backe againe. Instine, Lib. 34. Decad. Lib. 4.cap. 5.

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Inf. lib. 12. cap. 6. These things hapned ann. vrb. Rom. 585. L. Emi. lius Paulus & Caius Licinius Crassus being then Consuls: in which yeare the Moon was totally eclipfed, Emilius ouercame Perseus King of Macedon, and reduced Macedonia into a Prouince, Lib. Dec.4. lib.5.

From Leusia, Antiochus (fearing lest the Iewes would forsake his Empire and rebell) went to Ierusalem, which was 288 miles. but the inhabitants of the towne shut him out of the city, wherefore he besieged it, and by the treason of Menelaus chiefe Priest. (who for that purpose conspired with the gard that was in the ca. file) quickly got it and entred the gates. In every place where he came hee put the Citisens to the sword, and for three daies space did little else but cruelly massacre the people. He went also with Menelaus into the Temple, where he polluted the facred things of the Temple, and took thence the vessels of filuer & gold, or what. focuer he found pretious or worthy: fo that the prey he tookeamounted to 1800 talents, which make almost 11 tunne of pure gold; all which were partly gifts dedicated to the Temple, and partly treasure that was left there as in a safe and sure place, to the vse of poore distressed widowes and orphans.

After that Antiochus had robbed the Temple of all the filuer and gold that he could finde, had banished Iason, had placeda strong garrison in the tower of Acropolis, (the captaine of which was one Philip a very cruell man) and made Menelaus high-Prieft; with all this booty and some number of captiues hee returned to Antiochia, which was 280 miles. In the yeare following, that is, before Christ 166, Lu. Æmilius Paulus triumphed for the wars of Macedonia. Not long after, Antiochus misdoubting the sidelitie of the Iewes, fent Apolenius with an army of 22000 to Ierusalem, who entred the city vpon the Sabbath day, and committed many outrages.

Then, Antiochus having spenta great part of the gold and filuer which he had got from Ierusalem, about the eleventh years of his reigne made his expedition from Antiochiato, Persepolis, (it was also called Elymaides) in Persia, which was 196 miles.

Here he took the temple of Diana, spoiled all that country round about, and with strong hand gathered together a great masse of gold and filuer to maintain warre against Iudas Machabeus. But a multitude of citisens disliking his facriledge, banded themselues meether, and put Antiochus and his fouldiers to flight before hee could take the city of Persepolis. 1 Mach. 6. 2 Mach. 9.

Wherefore being driven from thence, he fled with his army to Egbatana, a city in Media, which was 209 miles. Here having certain intelligence by letters, of the noble exploits of Iudas Machabem, and that he purged the temple of such things as were prophane, he fell into an extreme griefe, and like one distracted railed against the Iewes, and swore to be reuenged of them, I Mac.9.

In this extreme anger he went from Egbatana to Babylon with his army, which was 464 miles. But as he went, his Chariot was ouerthrown, in the fall wherof he was so extremely wounded, that they were constrained to carry him in a bed to Babylon, where he shortly after died miserably.

Soall his trauels were 8153 miles.

Thus may we see with what difficulties and dangers this wicked prince obtained his victories, and past away his life, somtime intrauel, his journies long and troublesome, somtimes in prospenitie, fomtimes in advertitie, again fomtimes afflicted with troublesome cogitations, sometimes with extreame anger, seldome in peace, and then also his actions sauoring of violence and filthines From whence it appeareth, That the wicked with more forowes, troubles, and vexations gaine eternall damnation; than the Iust, though they fuffer many grieuous afflictions, obtain euerlasting faluation. For amongst all the Patriarchs, good Kings, and Prophets, there is not found any that had fo many long and tedious journies as this Antiochus, who continually oppressed his minde and conscience with unprofitable vanities and wicked thoughts, and at length had a miserable and terrible end.

of the Cities and places mentioned in his Trauels.

Of Antiochia.

Ntiochia, where Antiochus Epiphanes kept his court, was an. tiently called Chæmath, or Riblah. It was scituated in Syria, 180 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, neer to the Cities Seleucia, Laodicea, and Apamea, which foure Cities (as Strabo faith in the fixteenth Booke of his Geographie) was built by Seleucus Nicanor first King of Syria. This man was a mighty Prince; and obtained the name of Nicanor (which fignifieth Vi. ctorie) because he prospered in his warres, and conquered his aduersaries. For when (within 13 yeares after the death of Alexan. der the Great) hee had got the kingdome of Syria, hee became fo great in the 31 years of his reign, that he obtained the empireof all the East; and beside (as Strabo saith) re-edified and built vo these four cities, calling one of them Antiochia, after the name of his father, another Laodicea after the name of his mother, a third after his own name Seleucia, and the last Apamea, after the name of his wife. These four cities, because they were all built by one man, and at one time, were called Sisters. But Antiochia was much fairer than the other, and in those times was a greater city than any other called after that name, yea it was equal to A. lexandria in Egypt, for glory and excellencie of building. It was divided into foure parts, and those parts seperated with fourwals: The first, which was antiently called Hemath (A violent anger) of Chamathai the sonne of Canaan; was after Riblath, from the multitude of the inhabitants; and the third time by Seleucus; after his fathers name, called Antiochia. In this part Seleucus to dignifie the City, kept his court, it being compassed about with goodly walls. In the second part the citisens of Syria inhabited. In the third, Seleucus Callimichus (afterward King of the Syrians) kept his court, and greatly beautified it. But in the fourth (where afterward many Christians inhabited) Antigonus Epiphanes continued, and did greatly adorn it and fet it forthwith goodly buildings and sumptuous houses. Close by the Citie there stood a pleafant

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nleasant wood watered with many cleare fountains and delightfull forings, to which there reforted a great multitude of Fowles of divers forts, which fung very pleasantly among the trees, to the great content and delectation of the citisens. In the midst of this wood flood the temple of Apollo and Diana, goodly things, and verv curiously built. It was called the wood of Daphne, because it was full of Laurel trees. From this wood all the countrey thereabout is called Epidaphne. Not far off standeth the river Orontes, which beginneth in Coelosyria, and passeth under the earth til it comes neere to Apamea, where it rifeth and watreth all Antiochia. So passing thence it runneth some 16 miles, and so fals into the Mediterranian sea. Heere Paul preached and kept a Synod, Euseb.lib.7. cap. 24.25. There was another Synod kept heere by the Arrians, Trip. lib. 4.9.

Stephanus reckons vp many other cities of this name as Antiochia Lissidia, in Galatia, where Paul preached, AEt. 3, and is distant from this 384 miles: Antiochia in Mesopotamia, which is also called Mygdonia, and Nisibis; in which Apollophanes the Stoicke, and Pharnuchus that wrot the Persian historie are said to be born. Antiochia between Syria and Arabia, built by Semiramis. Antiochia in Cilicia, scituated neere to the river Pyramus. Antiochia in Pieria, also called by the Syrians, Arados. There is also a city called Antiochia neere mount Taurus in the countrey of Comagena. Antiochia scituated voon the lake of Callichan. Antiochia in Scythia. There was another in Caria, called also Pithapolis. Antiochia Marigiana, built by Antiochus Soter. And many Authors call Tharfus in Cilicia by the name of Antiochia. Antiochia signifies an Aduersarie.

Of Rome.

R Ome stands 1528 miles from Ierusalem Westward. Of this city you may reade more in the trauels of the Apostle Paul,

Tyrus, Ioppa, Memphis, Pelusio, Mallo, and Alexandria are before described. of

Of Tharsus.

Arfus or Tharfus fignifieth aa Hyacinth stone, so called (as fome thinke) of Tharfis the son of Iavan, the son of Iaphet, the son of Noah, Gen. 10. It was distant from Ierusalem 304 miles Northward.

Of Persepolis.

PErsepolis was the metropolitan city of Persia, distant from lerusalem 1240 miles Eastward. So called of Persius that mightie King of the Persians, who re-edified it and gaue it that name,
which is as much to say as the city of the Persians, which also of
him were so called. The Astronomers, because he was greatly as
feeded to such as were skilfull in that art, attributed his name and
his wives name to two constellations in the heavens, of which owids sable is contrived of Pegasus and Andromache.

This city of Persepolis was so fair that it exceeded all thecities of the East, both for stateline se and beauty, and so continued from Perseus time, vntill Alexander the Great had conquered D4rius: at which time this great Emperor having got into his hand the whole empire of the Persians, came to Persepolis in the year before Christ 329, and there celebrated a great feast in triumph of his victories; to which there reforted a great many women not fuch as were of the better fort, but them that followed the camp, and lived diffolutely: among st whom was that notable curtesan Thais; who perceiving the King inclined to mirth, and full with wine, began to flatter him in his cups, & among other things to commend and dignifie his noble exploits; withall giving him to understand, how acceptable it would be to the Grecians, to set that royall palace of the Persians fired, which had so often afflicted Grecia. No sooner had she vttered these words, but another feconded her, and then a third. After, the whole affembly cried out, Shall we reuenge the injurie of Grecians, and burn the city! with that they al rose in great fury, the king himself (being crowned) beginning first to fire the palace, wherein was great aboundance of Cedar, from whence it happened that fuddenly the fire

fored it felfe a great way; which when the army that lay without the walls perceived, with all speed came to the city to stay the burning of it, for which purpole many brought water with them. But when they beheld the King himselfe busie in this tragedie, laying aside their water, they also, in hope of booty, and to imirate the steps of their Prince, fell to firing the city, and according to the custom of foldiers in such massacres, made a prey of what they could get, increasing the fire with dry stuffe and other combustible matter, whereby it came to passe that the whole city was therewith fired, and burnt to the ground. This was the end of that mighty city which ruled ouer fo many nations, where fo many mighty Princes gouerned, that was the scourge of Grecia and the greatest part of the world, that sent forth a Navie of 10000 ships and an army of an infinit number, there being at this day nothing tobe seen, vnlesse the river Araxes that ran close by it remaineth. Thus was that confumed in a fury, which the King and all his army before endeauoured to spare. But after it turned to the great shame of the Macedonians, that their King should fire so famous acity in the midst of his cups : and Alexander himselfe after hee had flept repented what he had done.

You shall find in 2 Mac. cap. 6. That Antiochus Epiphanes besiegeda certaine City in Persia called Persepolis, from whence for his exceeding couetousnesse and sacriledge he was forced by the inhabitants dwelling about the town to raise his siege & be gon. Therefore some may gather, that this Persepolis before mentioned was rebuilded, because it also stood in Persia: but if you read IMac. cap. 6. you shall finde that this city so besieged by Antiothus was also called Elymais, wherein stood the temple of Diana, beautified with goodly ornaments, shining with the splendor of fine gold wherewith it was gilt. In which temple, as faith Iosephus lib. Ant. 12. Alexander the Great left his armor and other things. From whence may be gathered, that this towne was not the Persepolis which he caused to be burnt, but rather some other towne built out of the ruines of that city (according to the opinion of Quintus Curtius) or else some village standing neere to it, which being built up and inlarged, might of some be called new Perse-

polis,

polis, though indeed it was antiently called Elymais, and all the East part of Persia beyond Susa, of that towne called Elematica, having some affinitie with Elam the antient name of Persia, so called of Elam the son of Sem, Gen. 10. Wherefore it may well be concluded, that that Persepolis burnt down by Alexander, was neuer restored, but lieth waste to this day.

Thus the empire of the Persians (after they had ruled ouer the nations of the earth 260 yeares) was conquered by the Grecians. who held it 129 yeares. At the end of which time, Demetrius Nica. nor the last Emperour of the Grecrans in Syria and Asia, going with a great army out of Syria toward the East, Arfaces King of the Medes and Parthians, being aided by the citifens of Elymais the Persians, and Bactrians, meeting him in those parts, gaue him many sharp and cruell battels, and in the end (vnder pretenceof peace) took him prisoner, in the yere before Christ 137, and from that time the Parthians gouerned Persia and Grecia, and oppofed the Romans in many cruell battels.

Afterward, in the yere of our Lord 226, Artaxerxes that migh. ty Lord of Persia ouercame Artabanus King of the Parthians ina mighty battell, and took his crown from his head; the same yere entring vpon the gouernment of Persia, 548 years after the death of Alexander the Great: from which time Artaxerxes and his posteritie reigned in Persia for the space of 314 yeares; in the which space there succeeded 28 Kings, viz. Artaxerxes 1. Sapores Ormifdates Vararanes, Vararanes 2. Vararanes 3. Narses, Misdates, Sapores 2, Artaxerxes 2. Sapores 3. Vararanes 4. Cermazat, syrnamed Ifaigutes, Vararanes 5. Vararanes 6. Perozes, Valens, Cavades Zambades, Cavades 2. Cofroës, Hormifda, Cofroës 2. Siroes, Adhafir, Sarbaras, Borna. rim, Hormisda 2. who was the last King of the Persians; for being ouercome by Humarus, Amiras of the Saracens, and third Emperor of the Mahumetans, he was thrown out of his kingdom Anno Dom. 640. After which time it continued long in the gouernement of the Saracens and Turks.

Where that holy Priest Mattathias the father of Iudas Machabeus dwelt.

Matathias and Dorotheus have both one fignification, that is, The gift of God; being derived of Matath, a gift, and Iah, God. This Mattathias was a holy Priest of the tribe of Levi, the fon of Iohn, the fon of Simon, of whom all that family was called the posteritie of Simon, of the stocke of Ioarib, of whom you may read. 1 Chr. 15. He dwelt in a town called Modin, 14 miles from lerusalem toward the Northwest, scituated in a mountaine close by the way as you go to Ioppa, in the tribe of Dan. Modin fignifietha measure, being deriued of Madad, he hath measured. In this place seeing the crueltie of Antiochus Epiphanes, and the insolencie of his foldiers, he killed one of his captains, and afterward in the synagogue put to death an idolatrous Iew, ouerthrew the Altar let vp by Antiochus: after, called forth all the inhabitants of Modin and other towns neere adioyning, to with stand the fury of this King. So they brought their goods out of the city, into the wildernesse, where they incamped themselves, and after so manfully opposed Antiochus, that he deliuered all the cities & towns thereabouts out of his bondage, and from idolatry. But beeing now grown old, (after he had admonished his sons to constancy in the feruice of God, and courage in defence of the countrey) he died in the yeare before Christ 164, and was buried at Modin. where afterward his fons were buried. Simon his third fon, highpriest of Ierusalem, did maruellously beautifie this sepulchre; for he made a vault of white marble, compassed about with faire pillars which supported an admirable curious arch, to see to as if it had been one stone. Ouer this vault in convenient places he built seven pyramides, in memory of his father, mother, his foure brethren, and himselfe. In the circumference of this monument hee fetvp faire marble pillars, vpon which he caused to be ingrauen thips, fo artificially, that they which failed vpon the fea might fee them; and voon these he placed the armes of his father and of his brethren. You may reade more of this, 1 Mach. 13. Ioseph. Antiq. lib.12,cap.9.

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The Trauels of Iudas Machabeus.

I Vas Machabem succeeded his father Mattathias in the yerebefore Christ 164, Ann. mundi 3804. and ruled six years. Immediatly after his fathers death, who as is said was buried in Modin he led his army against Apollonius chief captain of Antiochus, who at that time was in Samaria, which was 30 miles: here hee ouercame Apollonius and killed him with his own sword, 2 Mac. 2.3.

When Seron (who was also one of Antiochus chiefe captains in Syria the lower) heard that Iudas Machabeus had ouercome Apolonius and put him to death, hee was very angry and said, I will guand conquer Iudas Machabeus and those that are with him, that so I may get my selfe a name and be famous through the whole Kingdom: so he came out of Syria, and pitched his tents neere Bethoron the lower in the tribe of Iuda, 32 miles from Samaria. But Iudas went down to him to Bethoron, where he broke into his campe, ouercame his whole army, and put him to the sword with 8000 of his men, but the rest fled into the land of the Philistines, I. Mach. 3. These two victories he obtained in the first yeare of his gouernement, by which he made the name of the Machabees samous tho rough that Kingdome. This battell was sought 8 miles from Lerusalem.

Antiochus Epiphanes hauing certain intelligence of that which had happened, in the next yeare made an expedition into Persia, that he might gather money in those East parts to make an offensiue Warre against the Iewes; and gaue authoritie to Lyssus (whom hee made Gouernour in his absence) to suppresse this faction sprung vp amongst them. Wherefore Lyssus sent 40000 foot and 7000 horse into Iury; and appointed Ptolomais, Nicanor, and Gorgius to be Generals of the whole Army. Who so soon as they had entred Iudæa after hossile manner, they pitched their Tents neere to a towne called Emaus, Ioseph. Lib. Antiq. 13.6.10. This towne standeth fixe miles and somewhat more from Ieru-

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falem; but *Iudas Macchabeus* affembled his army in Mizpah, feituated in the Tribe of Benjamin not farre from Ierusalem, six miles from Bethoron, 1 Mac. 3.

After Iudas Macchabem had implored Gods affiftance in his warres, and performed many religious ceremonies, he went with his army to Emaus, which was foure miles: where comming vpon the enemy in the night and vnexpected, he ouercame Nicanor, put him to flight, and kil'd three thousand of his men. This victorie happened in the third yeare of Iudas Macchabem his government, I Mac. 4.

From Emaus he pursued the enemy to Gexeron Azotus, Asserimoth, and Iamniah, vpon the borders of Idum 22, which was eight miles.

After hereturning backe from pursuing the enemy with his armie to Emaus, which was eight miles, that he might oppose the armie of Gorgias; but Gorgias vnderstanding of the ouerthrowof Nicanor, and burning of his tents, fled.

Iudas Macchabeus obtained his fourth victory in the third yeare of his gouernment, which was 62 yeares before Christ, and in the 148 yeare of the gouernment of the Græcians in Syria, six miles from Emaus, neere to the Castle or fortresse of Bethsura, which signifies, the house of the Rocke, being a very strong place, scituated in the top of a high rock, some halfea mile from Ierusalem, in the way which leadeth to Bethschem. Neere to this castle Iudas Macchabeus ouercame Lysias, Antiochus his chiefe generall of Syria, who had 20000 foot, and 5000 horse in his army, carrying away agreat victory, and put to the sword 5000 of his men. Lysias being thus ouercome, mediated a peace with the Iewes, which was concluded upon the fourth day of the moneth Diosceris which answereth unto the seuenth day of our moneth of Iune, 2 Macch. 10.

From Bethfura Iudas Mace habens brought back his army to Iensfalem, which was almost a mile; where he caused the Temple of the Lord to be clensed of the abhomination of the Gentiles, & broke downe the stature of Iupiter Olympus, which had continued there for the space of three yeares and on the fifth day of the moneth Caslew, wich is our December, celebrated a solemne Passe-

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ouer, and built vp a new Altar, and dedicated it vnto the Lord.

In the yeare after, being the fourth yeare of his gouernment, he repaired the towne of Sion, & fortified Bethfura against the Idus means, which nation all this yeare made war upon the Iewes But after, Indas gathered an armie and went 40 miles into Idumes, and inuaded those that were in Arabathnes, and in the land of the sons of Bean (which people troubled the Israelites with continual robberies) and put them to flight, so that they were constrained to take their castle; where he fired them and it together, I Macch. 5. 2 Macch. 10.

From Idumæa, he returned backe againe with his army to leturalem, which was 40 miles.

Afterward hee led his army against the Amonites, which lay 60 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast, 1 Macch. 5.

From thence he went to Iaeser in the Tribe of Gad, which was 24 miles; which he tooke and all the castles thereabours. This towne Moses in times past conquered, as you may reade befor I Maceh. 15.

From Iaeser he returned to Ierusalem which was 40 miles.

From thence he went to loppa, which was 20 miles; and there he burned their hauen (for loppa was a hauen towne) and their which scaped the fire he kild with the sword, 2 Mac, 12.

From Ioppa he went to Iamnia, which was accounted 4 miles, where in the night he fired their hauen, burnt their ships, & spoiled their towne, insomuch as the inhabitants of Ierusalem which were 16 miles off might easily see the fire, 2 Macch, 12.

From Iamnia, Indas went with his army against Timotheus chiefe captaine of Amiochus Eupator, who continued at the citie Calpin, which was something more than a mile, where he ouercame him and 5000 Arabians, which were strengthened with 500 horse, and 500ke the citie, 1 Macch, 12.

Afterward Indas Macchab: with his brother Innathan; led an armie to Characa vino, the Iewes that were called Tubieni, which was 96 miles, against Timothems gouernour of the Ammonites: buthe was gone thence and had done nothing, but left a garrison in a strong hold. Wherefore Dosithems and Sosipater (which were captaines with Macch.) went forth and slew those that Timothems

had left in the fortresse more than 10000 men: Timotheus himselfe also fell into their hands, but by reason of his faire speeches they suffered him to depart with life, 2 Mac. 12.1 Mac. 5.

From thence he went to Bozor a faire eitie which was scieuated beyond Iordan neere to Berhabara, in the Tribe of Reuben, it was also called Bazra, which was 24 miles: this towne he tooke

and burned with fire, Ifa. 64.1 Mac. 5.

From Bozor he went to Mizpa, where Leptha formetime factificed his daughter, which was 32 miles. In that journey Ludas Machabeus rescued the castle of Datheman, draue thence Timotheus, and put to the sword 8000 of his armie. After, he went thence to Mizpa, woon the towne, burntit with fire, and put to the sword all the male children, because the inhabitants had vexed the children of Israel with continual tobbery. After that, hee woon many other townes and cities thereabours, 1 Mac. 5.

From Mizpa Indas passed the river, and went to Astaroth-Carnaim, which in the second of Maschabes is called Carnion, which was eight miles there are destroyed the temple of Venus, which the inhabitants call Astaroth, and put 25000 of the inhabitants to the sword. He went also to Atargation, a towne not far off, and tooke it, and delivered all the Israelites from the greatest to the least, which were in captivitie among & the Giliadites, Macching March, 22.

From Aftaroth-Carnaim, hee went to Ephron, which was 16 miles: this citie Indas Marchabeus destroied, because the inhabitants thereof denied him passage, and went through it over the dead Bodies, 2 March. 5. Here Gidenn Judge of Israel sometime dwelt; it tooke the name from the rising up of the dust, being derived of Aphar, that is, he hath made a dust.

From Ephron Iudas passed ouer Iordan into the great field of Galile, and so went to Scythopolis, which in antient time was called Bethsan, which was sourcemiles.

From Bethfan or Scythopolis; he returned to Iesusalem, which was 44 miles, a little before Penticost, in the fourth yeare of his government, in the yere 161 before Christ, 1 Macth. 5.2 Maccat. 12...

After the feast of Penticost he went from Ierusalem to Mare. sa, which was 16 miles; here he ouercame Gorgias gouernour of Idumæa, in a great buttell, 2 Mac. 12.

From Marefa hee went with his army to Odullam, which was

6 miles. Here sometime David hid himselfe.

From Odullam he returned to Ierusalem, which was 8 miles; 2 Mac, 12.

From Ierusalem he brought his army to Hebron the Metropolitan citie of the Idumæans, which was 22 miles: this Towne he woon, and all the townes and castles neere adjoyning, 1 Muchab.5.

From thence he went to Samaria, which was fiftie fix miles,

I Mac. 5.

From Samaria he led his army against Azotus, which was 44 miles. This was a citie of the Philistins, which he destroied, broke their Altars, and burnt their idols in the fire, 1 Mac. 5. After that, he conquered two castles in Idumæa, 1 Mac. 10.

After that, he returned to lerusalem, which was accounted as

miles, I Mac. 5.

From Ieruíalem he went to meet Timothem, chiefe captaineof the Syrians, who came with a greatarmy to inuade Iudæa. But when the battell waxed hor there appeared to the enemies from heaven, five comely men vpon horses with bridles of gold, two of which led the Lewes, and tooke Macchabem betweene them, and covered him on every side with their weapons, that none could hurt him; but against their enemies they shot Darts and lightnings, so that they were consounded with blindnesse, and beaten downe; whereby the Lewes obtained a great visitory, and put to the sword 20500 foot, and 600 horse; the rest seeing this great slaughter, sted. So Iuda praised the Lord, and pursued the enemies to Gazara; which was 16 miles. Heere Timothem hid himselfe in a caue; but the Iewes tooke the citie, sound him out, and put him to death, together with his brother Charea and Pollophanes, 2 Mac. 10.

From Gazara Indas Maschabeus returned to Ierusalem, which was 16 miles.

In the yere following, which was the fift of his taigne, and 160 before Christ, Iudas Maccab, besieged the tower of Sion in Ierusalem, because those that were in the garrison had put to the sword some of the Iewes that were facrificing in the Temple. But Antiochus Eupator, the son of Antiochus Epiphanes, hearing of it; at the instigation of Menelaus chiefe Priest of the Iewes, brought a great armie to their rescue, wherefore Iudas Macchabeus hearing of his comming, lest the siege, and went from Ierusalem to Modin to meet him, which was 14 miles: Here he ouercame Antiochus, destroyed his Elephants, and put 4000 of his souldiers to the sword, 2 Macc. 13.

When King Antiochus had felt a taste of the boldnesse of the lewes, he went with his army through by-waies, and secret passages to the castle of Bethsura, which he besieged, whither Iudas sollowed him, which was 12 miles; incamping himselfe a mile from Bethsura, in a straight place called Bethzachara. Here Antiochus betimes in the morning (thinking to take the armie of the lewes at an aduantage) set vpon them: But the Iewes and their leaders behaued themselues so manfully, that they put Antiochus the second time to slight, and kil'd 600 of his men. In this battell Eliazer the brother of Iudas Macchabeus was slain by an Elephant.

los.lib. Antiq. 12.lib. 16.1. Macc. 6.

From Bethzachara he returned backe to Ierusalem, which was amiles. And when the king had taken the town of Bethsura (for they were constrained to yeeld by reason of samine) he followed ladas, with whom he joyned the third time in battell; but Iudas ouercame him, and put to the sword many of his army. Wheresore having certaine intelligence that Philip (whom he had made ouerseer of the affaires at Antiochia) rebelled, he made a peace with Iudas Macchabeus, was appeased towards the Iewes, did sacrifice, adorned the Temple, and shewed great gentlenesse towards the people. So Antiochus departed out of Iudæa, and tooke Menelaus that seditious high Priest along with him captiue, 1 Macc. 6.

Macc. 12.

After in the 6 years of his gouernment, ludas went with his armiethrough all the borders of Iudæa, and executed justice vpon all such as were offenders and contemners of the true religion.

After, when Iudas had certaine intelligence that Nicanor (whom Demetrim King of Syria had fent against Ierusalem) went about by fraudulent courses, and vnder pretence of friendship. to take away his life, 2 Macc. 14. he went privily from Ierusalem and came to Caphar-Salama, scituated 12 miles from Ierusalem towards the North. Here Nicanor and he joyned battell; but Iu. das discomfitted his armie, and put to the sword about fine thou. fand of his men, himfelfe not escaping without great danger. 1 Mac. 7.

From Caphar-Salama Iudas came to Samaria, which was 28 miles: here he rested himselse, and resteshed his armie a while, 2 Mac. 15.

In the yere before Christ 128, he went from Samaria to Adar. fa, which was 28 miles; and there (vpon the 13 day of Ada, which answereth to the 13 day of February) neere to Bethoron the lower, he gaue Nicanor a great ouerthrow, and put him with 35000 of his host to the sword, 1 Mac. 7. 2 Mac. 15.

From Adara and Bethoron the lower, hee followed theenemies to Gaza, a Citie of the Philistines, which was 44 miles, 1 Mac.9.

From Gaza he returned to lerufalem, which was 44 miles: there he caused the arme of Nicanor (whom a little before he had slaine at the battell of Adarsa) to be cut off, & his tongue to be cutom of his head, shred small, and given to the fowles of the heaven, and his head to be cut from his shoulders; because therewithh had blasphemed the Lord, and the temple, swearing desolation and destruction to it and the lewes, I Mac. 7. 2 Mac. 15.

A little after, that is to fay, almost at the end of the 6 yere of his gouernment, Indas Macchabem went out with 3000 chosen men in his army, and pitched his tents neere Laifa, 12 miles from lerusalem towards the West: But when the Iewes perceived the mighty armie of Bacchides (for hee had 20000 foot, and 2000 horse in his hoast) there were many of them discouraged, so that all left him but 800 men: Yet neuerthelesse Iudas constrained by necessitie with stood Bacebides, and so mansully behaved himselfe in the battaile, that hee ouercame him, and put him to flight, I Mac. 2.

His enemies being thus put to flight, he pursued them to the mountaines of Azotus and Gazeron, which was 6 miles; where being oppressed with the multitude, and hemmed in amongst them was flaine. He died in the moneth Nisan, which answers to our April, Anno mundi 3810, and before Christ, 158, 1 Mac. 9.

From the Mountaines of Azotus and Gazeron his dead body was carried hacke againe to Modin, which was 6 miles, and there buried. So his Trauels were 915 miles.

Of the townes and places to which he travelled.

Of Mispa, Iamnia, and Laisa you may reade before.

of Caspin.

His city stood not far from Iamnia, 16 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northwest. This towne though it was strongly fortified, yet Iudas Macchabeus woon it, 2 Mac. 12. It is called Cafpin, of Kefeph, which fignifies, filuer. There was another city called Casphor, that is, The filuer mountaine, this stood in the land of Giliad neere Mispa, which Indas also woon, I Mac. 4.

Of Assermoth, otherwise called Gazaron.

Azaron or Gazera was a citie of the Philistines neere Ecron, 16 miles from Ierusalem towards the West. It is so called from the cliffe of a rocke; being derived of Gezer, which fignifies a Cliffe. Here Indas Macchabeus was flaine, 1 Mac.6.

- of the Tubiani.

Vbiani are a people that dwelt beyond Iordan, in that part I of Arabia Petræa which is called Nabathea, of Nabaioth the sonne of Ishmael, neere to a Mountaine of the Gileadites, not farre distant from Abel of the Vines, where it is thought Balaams Asse spoke. This land is called Thubin, and the inhabitants Tubiani; because all that Countrey bringeth forth very pleasant and excellent Wine: beeing derived of Zob, which fignifieth, good, and I aijn, wine. In this country Iudas Machabems continued three daies with his army.

Of Caphar-Salama.

This town stood 12 miles from Ierusalem towards the North. In Herod the greats time it was inlarged and made a very faire city, which he caused to be called Antipatridis, after the name of his father Antipater; of which you may reade more in the Trauels of the Apostle Paul.

Of Adarsa.

His was a towne in the tribe of Ephraim, betweene Antipatridis and Bethoron the lower, twelue miles from Ierusalem towards the Northwest. It seemeth to be thus called from a noble gift, for it is derived of Adar, which signifies illustrous, and Schalagis.

The Typicall signification of Iudas Macchabeus.

TV das Macchabeus is a type and figure of our Lord Iesus Christ. and Antiochus, of that wicked Antichrist, as the interpretation of their names do euidently declare: for Iudas fignifies a Conteffor, praying God and glorifying his name for all his benefits; fo Christ the sonne of God is the praise and glory of his father, for that in him and by him God the father praised, as is evident in the fong of Simeon. In like manner our Lord lefus Christ is worthily called Macchabeus, for Macchabeus is a syrname of the Iewes, which is written after this manner, 1220 Machabai, euery letter of which fignifieth a feuerall word, according to the Song of Moses in the fifteenth chapter of Exodus, where are these words, Michamocha baelim Iehouah, that is, Who is like unto thee among ft the gods, O Lord? Thus did the children of Israel fing with Mosu, when God led them out of the land of Ægypt through the Red Sea: and this sentence Indas Macchabeus continually vsed as an Adage; and the letters at the beginning of these words being joyned together into one word, make the fyrname Macchabat. Therefore as he had alwaies this golden fentence in his mouth, so had he it likewise in his name, yea, in his ensignes. Wherefore this name like wise is worthy to be attributed to Christ; for hee is that perfect image and glory of his eternall father, Heb. 1. who is called Misbael, that is, Who is like wnto God? and Macchabeus, or Machabai, that is, Who is like wnto thee among st the gods, of Lord. Therfore he saith thus, I am that great God that will deliner you from all eail:

Ecce, Deus fortu fælix, de morte refurgo : Tartareosque vnguens, Damona ipse ligo.

Behold, I am the God of might, from death to life that rose: I binde the Diuell to my will, his furies I oppose.

But Antiochus fignifies an aduerfarie, or an opposer, or one that fighteth against God. The same also doth Sathan fignifie in Hebrew. Heis therefore a sit type of that great opposer of God and Man, (Antichrist) who fighteth against Christ, that Iudas Macchabeus, and true Captaine of the Church. For as the one (viz. Antochus) was an aduersary against the Iewes the children of God; so the other, (that is, Antichrist) is an aduersarie and enemy against Christ and his Church, &c.

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The Travels of Ionathan, the brother of Iudas Macchabeus.

I Onathan or Ionathas, and Theodorus, hath but one fignification, that is, The gift of God. This man the same yeare that Iudas his brother died, succeeded him in the principalitie, and gouerned the Lewes 18 yeares, I Mac. 9. Iof. lib. antiq. 3. But understand that Bacchides chiefe captaine of Demetrius King of Syria, went about to take his life by craft, hee and his brother Simon went from Modin, and pitched their tents in the wildernesse of Tecoah, neere to the lake of Asphar, which was 20 miles.

From thence they sent their brother Iohn with certaine riches to the Nabathians, which dwelt in Medaba in Arabia (28 miles) desiring them in friend thip to receive their goods into the town,

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and to keepe them for their vse: but the sonnes of Iambri and the Nabathians issued out of Medaba, and vnawares fell vpon Iohn. put him to death, tooke away all his wealth, and returned into their citie with great joy.

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But Ionathan and Simon tooke this injurie very heavily, and much bewailed the death of their brother; where one that they might bee reuenged of the inhabitants of Medaba, they went thence twenty eight miles, and hid them (elnes among the mountaines just in the way that led from Medaba to Cardan; for they had heard that the sonnes of Iambri and the inhabitants of Medabawere gone forth with great jollitie to fetch some a Bride. which was a Princes daughter of the land of Canaan. Now as they were merrie vpon the way, Ionathan and Simon his brother, with their army, went out from among the Mountaines, and puta great number of them to the fword, taking away a mighty spoyle.

From Medaba they went to the river Iordan, which was three miles, where voon the East side of the river they pitched their Tenrs: here he was constrained to fight a cruell battell with Bacchides upon the Sabboth day; but as he was in the fight hee met Bacchides, and lift up his hand to strike at him; but he seeing the danger, retyred. Neuerthelesse he put to the sword 1000 of his men, and after, he and his followers leapt into the river and swam

ouer: fo they all escaped without danger.

In the 56 yeare of the Græcians gouernment in Syria, which was the fifth yere of the principalitie of Ionathan, Bacchides returned againe with his army into Iudæa, and besieged Ionathan and Simon in Bethbesan, otherwise called Bethgalam, some three miles distant from Iordan. Here Ionathan leaving his brother Simon in the citie, stole out by a posterne, and went to all the villages neere adjoyning, from whence he gathered an army of chosen men, and set vpon Bacchides: Simon also broke out of the city and fet vpon him, so that they greatly oppressed him and burned his Tents, 1 Macchab.9. Wherefore when Bacchides understood that Ionathan and Simon had fortified that citie, and that the Iewes were readie to defend it, hee concluded a peace with Ionathan; the captines of either part were redeliuered, and the Iewes lined in peace a good while after, I Macchab.9.

From Bethbesan Ionathan went to Michmas, which was fix miles: here he dwelt for a while and judged the people of Ifrael. cherishing the good and rooting out the euill from amongst

them, I Macch. 9.

From Michmas he went to Ierusalem, which was ten miles. Hither Alexander King of Syria, and sonne of Antiochus Epiphanes, fent him a purple robe and a golden crowne, and ordained himhigh Priest of the Iewes. Wherefore Ionathan on the day of the feast of the Tabernacles, which was in the yere before Christ 150, tooke vpon him the office to be high Priest, I Macchab. 10. The next yeare after, which was the tenth of Ionathans rule (after the death of Demetrius king of Syria, who was slaine in the warres against Alexander) there appeared a Comet of an extraordinarie greatnesse, which was of such an exceeding brightnesse, that it tooke away the darknesse of the night; and the writers of those times affirme it to equal! the Sunne in greatnesse. After this Prodigi, the Romans began the third Punick warre against the Carthaginians, vide Camerar. lib. 2. de oftent.

Ionathan in the eleventh yeare of his raigne went from Ierusalem to Prolemais, which was 76 miles, to the marriage of Alexander King of Syria, and Cleopatra the daughter of Ptolomeus Philometor King of Ægypt, where he was entertained very honourably,

I Mac. 10.

From thence hee returned to Ierusalem, which was 76 miles, I Mac. 10.

From Ierusalem he went to Ioppa and woon the towne, which was 20 miles.

From Ioppa he went to Asdod, which was 12 miles; there he burnt the Temple of Dagon, and all that were in it.

From thence he went with his armie to Ascalon, which was 12 miles; this towne willingly yeelded vnto him.

From Ascalon he returned to Ierusalem, which was 38 miles,

1 Mac. 10.

In the 15 yeare of his government hee went to Joppa, which Was 20 miles, to meet Ptolomeus Philometor King of Ægypt, and stayed there all that night, I Mac. II. The The next day he went with the King of Ægypt to the river of Eleutherius, which was 200 miles.

From thence he returned backe again to Ierusalem, which was 200 miles. Heere he besieged the tower of Acropolis, because there were many wicked men got into it.

In the fixteenth yeare of his government he went from Ieru-falem to Ptolomais, to Demetrius Nicaner King of Syria, which was 76 miles.

From Ptolomais he returned backe to Ierusalem, which was 76 miles.

From Ierusalem (in the seuenteenth yeare of his gouernment) he went beyond the river Euphrates, which was accounted 400 miles; and there gathered an army in ayd of Antiochus the younger, the sonne of Alexander, and went against Demetrius Nicann King of Syria.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem, which was 400 miles. From Ierusalem hee went with his army to Ascalon, which was 30 miles.

From thence he came to Gaza, which was 18 miles, this towne he befieged, and after a sharpe battell woon it.

From Gaza he went to Damascus in Syria, which was about 200 miles.

From thence he returned to the lake of Genesereth, which was 104 miles. Here hee opposed the Army of Demetrius Nicana King of Syria.

From thence (before day) he removed his campe to Chazor, which was 32 miles; where, when part of his armie was put to flight by a stratagem, he tore his garments, put dust vpon his head and praied earnestly vnto the Lord for ayd and affissance: so having recovered his strength and former courage, hee returned with those few that hee had lest him to the war, where he put the army of King Demetrius to flight, and slew three thousand of his men with the sword.

His enemies being thus dispersed, hee pursued them to their Tents neere Cades in Galile, which was 6 miles.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem with a glorious victorie, which was about some 92 miles. Here he made a league with

the Romans and Spartans, 1 Mac. 11.12.

From Ierusalem he went with his armie into the countrey of Hemath, that is, Syria, to the river Eleutherius, which was 200 miles; here he put his enemies to flight, after they had burnt and consumed their Tents.

From thence he went to Nabathia in Arabia, which was 120 miles. Here he conquered the Arabians and Zabadians, and spoiled their land.

From thence he went through all that country, and wasted it, ill he came within eighty miles of Damaseus.

From thence he returned home to Ierusalem, which was 160 miles. In the 18 and last yeare of his raigne he caused the wals of leusalem to be built, and began to fortifie many places in Iudea, 1 Macch. 12. Also the same yeare (which was the 160 yeare of the government of the Græcians in Syria) the second booke of Macchabees was written as appeareth, cap. 1.

After, from Ierusalem hee went to Bethsan to meet Tryphon, which was 44 miles: here being deceived by the faire speeches of Tryphon, he discharged his army all but 3000.

From thence hee tooke these 3000 with him, and went with Typhon to Ptolomais, which was 32 miles; into which towns he was no sooner entred, but Tryphon caused the citisens to shut the gittly where all his men were slaine.

From Ptolomais, Tryphen brought Ionathan the High-priest to Addus upon the borders of Iudæa, which was 68 miles: from whence he sent to Simon, the brothers of Ionathan whom he kept captine in a castle neere adjoyning; promising to release his brother is he would fend his two sonnes to be hostages, and let him have a hundred talents of silver, that is, 60000 crownes.

So Simon fent his two fons, together with the money, to Trybus, but Tryphon tooke them and the money, and led them captinewith tonithon their father, from Addus to Addor a towne in Idumza, which was 48 miles.

From thence he carried them to Baschaman in the country of the Giliadites, which was 96 miles, where in the Winter season in the yeare before Christ, 141, this cruell and persideous tyrant surface and his fonnes to death.

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From Baschamah of the Giliadites Simon removed the bodies of Ionathan and his sonnes to Modin, which was 60 miles, where he buried them, 1 Mac. 13. So all his travels were 3007 miles.

The description of the places mentioned in his Trauels.

Of Michmas and Cades you may reade before.

Of Medaba.

This city is sciruated beyond lordan in the Tribe of Reuben, 28 miles from Ierusalem towards the East. It seemes to take the name from a hot bath that stood neere it: for there were many Baths and wholesome Springs stood beyond Lordan, as Toflis, ant. 17.6.9, witnesseth. The same things are also mentioned in Esa.cap.26. For Medabais derived of Maijm and Doba, which signifies warme or boyling water.

His town was feithated in the Tribe of Benjamin neere Gilgall, twelve miles from Ierusalem towards the Northers. The castle of this towne Ionathan and Simon fortified and regained, that it might be a strong place for them to retyre to from the danger of Baccides, 1 Mas. 9. 10 stinat. 13. c. 1. saith, that this towne was called the bouse of blushing, being derived of Bosch, to blush and Bethagla, a tound house.

Of Ptolomais.

I Nantient times this towne was called Acon, scituated pool the shore of the Mediterrean sea, betweene Tyrus and Mount Carmel in the tribe of Aser, 76 miles from Ierusalem towards the North. But the Aserites could not cast out the Canaantes out of that citie, Ptolometa King of Egypt conquered this round and rebuilt it, calling it after his owne name, Ptolomais, which signifieth, to make war. In times past it was a goodly city, strongly fortified with towers, bulwarkes, ditches, and wals: it was built in a triangular proportion, like to a shield, two parts whereof was compassed in by the sea, and vpon the third there stood a fruitfull plaine

plaine, wherein were corne grounds, pastures, medowes, vineyards, and orchards, adorned with diuers kindes of fruits. It had avery faire and spacious hauen for the preseruing of shippes: it was beautisted with Arcinals, Castles, Temples, and many other buildings very stately and curious; but at this day it is veterly desolute, and scarce to be perceived where it stood.

Of Eleutherius.

Leutherius was a river vpon the borders of Phænicia and Sy-Lria, neere to the citie Orthofia at the foot of Mount Libanus, 200 miles from Ierusalem towards the North: of which you may rade in the history of Ionathan, 1 Macch. 11.12. There is also anotherriver of that name, betweene Tyrus and Sarepta, vpon the borders of Palestina, 108 miles from Ierusalem towards the North.

of Genezereth.

IT is a fea in Galile, so called from the land of Genesara which lyeth about it; here sometime Capernaum stood; it signifies a Princely garden, being derived of Gen; that is, a garden, and Sar, a Prince: for the countrey round about it was very pleasant. You may reade more of this in the Travels of our Sauiour Christ.

of the field Chazor.

This was a plaine neer to the towne Chazor, or Hazor, which is described in the Trauels of toshua. It stood in the vpper Galile, 84 miles from Ierusalem towards the North.

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Abadei, were a people inhabiting Arabia Defarta, neere to the river Eleutherius, on the Northeast side of Syria and Damascus, 200 miles from Ierusalem. Arabia is three-fold; the one parthereof is called Deserta, which extendeth it selfe towards the North, to Syria and Damascus; the other is called Petræa, in which vast wildernesse the children of Israel travelled; the third is called Arabia Foelia, which is towards the South, extending it selfe from the East to the gulfe of Persa, and upon the West it is shut in with the gulfe of Arabia. But the Zabadei, they inhabited in

in Arabia Deserta, and were a people of a liberall and free condition: from whence it seemeth they are so called, for Zabab signifieth, To endow, or bestow.

Of Addus.

Ddus is called by *Iofephua*, (lib. antig. 13.cap. 9.) Iadah:it was a towne neer Arimathea in mount Ephraim, 16 miles from Ierufalem towards the Northwest:and is so called from a congregation, being deriued of *Iaad*, that is, He hath assembled with authoritie; and *Edah*, a Congregation, or Synagogue.

Of Ador.

This was a city of the Idumæans, 48 miles from Ierusalem to wards the Southwest. Ador signifies, a beautiful city, being derived of Adar, that is, famous and illustious; and or, that is, light.

Of Baschamah.

BAschamah standeth in the land of Gileah beyond Iordan, 52 miles from Iernsalem towards the Northeast: and is so called from sweet gums, of which there is great plentie in that place.

The Travels of the high Priest SIMON, the brother of IVDAS MACCHABEVS.

Simon fignifies an Auditor, and one that heareth: being derived of Schamab, He hath heard. This man did many worthy acts during the life of Indas Macchabens; for being fent into Galile (in which countrey there were many that rebelled) he supressed the insurrection and pursued the enemies into the citie of Prolomais, which was 76 miles.

From Ptolomais he brought his army to Arabath, which was

36 miles.

In this place, after he had affembled all the religious I fraelites thereabout, and their wives and children, he brought them thenet to Ierusalem, which was 44 miles.

After, he went with his brother Indus to many places, and bebaued himselfe mansully in all his enterprises, 2 Mac. 8.14. Hee went also with him to the battell sought between Azotus & Gazeron, where Iudus was slain, which was 20 miles from Ierusalem Westward, 1 Mac. 9.

Simon and Ionathan brought the dead body of their brother Indu to Modin, 6 miles, and there buried him by his father Matta-

thias, I Mac.9.

Afterward simon and his brother Ionathan went from Modin to the lake Asphar in the wildernesse of Tecoa, which was twentie miles.

From the defart of Tecoa they went to Medaba, which was 28 miles.

After, they returned thence to the river of Iordan, where vpon the East side of the river they pitcht their tents, 12 miles. Here they fought with Bacchides.

After, they went thence to Bethbesan, 3 miles.

From thence they went to Ierusalem, 12 miles, 10f. Am. li. 18.

From Ierusalem they went to Ioppa, 20 miles, and wonne the towne, Ios. Lib. Ant. 13. ca. 6.

From I oppa they went to Asdod, 12 miles, and in the way they put the enemy to flight.

From Associates, 1 Mac.

from Ascalon they returned to Ierusalem, which was 30 miles, 1 Mac, 10.

From thence he went to Bethfura, halfe a mile: this towne he won, and placed a garrifon in it, 1 Mac. 11.

Also in the absence of his brother Ionathan, Simon wentwith his army to Ascalon, which was 30 miles from Ierusalem, 1 Mac.

From thence he went to Ioppa, which was twenty miles. This towne the second time hee tooke, and placed a Garrison therein, I Mac. 12.

From Ioppa hee returned againe to Ierusalem, which was twentie

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twenty miles, Iof. antiq. lib. 13. cap. 8.

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From Ierusalem in the last yeare of his brother Ionathans go. uernment he went to the plain of Sephala, about 14 miles, where he built the Hold of Abida, 1 Mac. 12.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem, 14 miles: There, after the captiuitie of his brother *Ionathan* (whom *Tryphon* by cunning had betrayed, as is before said) hee was chosen by the people of the Iewes into the principalitie.

From thence hee went to Addus to meet Tryphon, 16 miles; where he would have ranfomed his brother Ionathan, 1 Machab. 6ap.13.

From Addus hewent to a city of the Idumæans called Ador,

or Adaram, 48 miles.

From Ador he returned into Iudæa with his army, 40 miles, that he might oppose the inuasion of Tryphon, and his souldiers, less they should have destroyed the country and got Ierusalem in his absence.

Tryphon having put to death his brother Ionathan (which was in the yeare before Christ 140) Simon entered upon the office of high priest the same yere, and continued in the government eight yeares. In the first yeare of his government he went from Ierusalem to Modin, 14 miles. Here he buried the body of his brother Ionathan in his fathers sepulchre very honorably, and richly beautified it.

From Modin he returned to Ierusalem, 14 miles, where he executed his priestly function diligently, & repaired the holds and decaied towns of Iudea, compassing them about with stone wals, and fortifying them with towers and bulwarks.

From thence he went to Gaza, 44 miles from Ierusalem Southwestward. This town he tooke.

From thence he returned to Ierusalem, which was four and forty miles. There he repaired the tower of Acropolis, wherin he dwelt.

From Ierusalem he went to Ioppa and won the towne, which was 20 miles.

From Ioppa he returned to Ierusalem, which was twenty miles where

where for a time hee liued very honourably, and kept a princely port, x Mac. 14.

Lastly, he went with his two sons Iudus and Mattathias, and his wise, to visit his father in law Ptolomeus the son of Abodus, to the castle of Doch, which was neere to Iericho, some ten miles from lerusalem towards the Northeast. Here he was slain by his father in law at a banquet, in the yeare before Christ 132; in the 11 mogeth, which answereth to our February, 1 Mac. 16.

So all his trauels were 799 miles.

¶ The description of the places mentioned in his Trauels.

of Arabath.

Rrabath or Araba was a city neere to the lake or river Merom, not farre from Dothan, 44 miles from Ierusalem toward the North. It seemes to take the name from Locusts, wherof there are many kinds, 1 Mac. 5. for there are Locusts that live vpon herbs and flours; others that fly in great swarms in the aire; and some also that live in the waters, not much vnlike Crabs or Crayfishes, their tailes only excepted. Plin. lib. 9.cap. 12.reckons vp another kinde of Locusts, whereof Iohn Baptist did feed, and it was lawfull for the Iewes to eat of them: hee describes them to have foure feet and wings, fo that they can either fly or leap vpon the earth. They can be resembled to nothing more fitly than to grashoppers. These the Hebrewes call Raba, Levit. 11. Mat. 2. because of the aboundance of them; being derived of the verbe Rabah, He hath multiplied or increased; because these kinds of Locusts come in mighty great swarmes and multitudes into the East part of the world. Of these kindes of Locusts Arabath took the name, but they are not known to vs: neuerthelesse such there are, and as it appeareth in Levit.cap. 11. were permitted to be eaten among the Iewes. From whence may be concluded, that Iohn Baptist lived upon these kinde of Locusts, and not upon Crabs or Cray-fishes, or any such kinde of Locusts, Mat. 3.

Of Sephela.

C Ephela is a plain compassed about with mountaines, neere the river Sorecke. It lieth 14 miles from Ierusalem Westward. Here Simon built the castle Adida, and fortified it very strongly, Afterward there was a city built neere to this tower, called Eleutheropolis. It was a free city in the tribe of Iudah, halfe way between Ierusalem and Ascalon, of which Ierome speaketh, li, de Lo. cis Hebr.

Of Doch.

His was a strong tower, the ruins wherof may be seen to this day. It was scituated neere Iericho in the field of Hiericun. tis, ten miles from Ierusalem Northeastward where Ptolomeus the fon of Abodus perfidiously put to death his fon in law Simon high Priest of the Iewes. From this tower you might have seen all the country of the Giliadites, the two tribes of Gad and Reuben and the halfe tribe of Manasses, with the mountains of the Moabites, Nebo, Pisga, and Abarim. vid. 1 Mac.ca.vlt.

The Travels of Iohn Hyrcanus.

Tobn Hyrcanus was made Captaine ouer all the men of Warby his father Simon; and went from Ierusalem to Gaza, 44 miles, where he dwelt, I Mac. 13.

From thence he returned to Ierufalem, 44 miles, in the 5 years of his fathers gouernment, to let him understand how Cendebian had inuaded the holy land, I Mac. 16.

From Ierusalem, he and his brother Iudas went with their army

to Modin, 14 miles, where they stayed all night.

The next morning before day they gave battell to Cendebins, not far from Modin, ouercame him and put him to flight. Sole purfued the chase till he came to the fortresse of Cedron, which food in the field of Azotus, euen 8 miles.

The Travels of Antiochus Eupator.

From the field of Azotus he and his brother Iuda returned to Ierufalem, being 22 miles. 1 Mac. 16.

From Ierusalem he returned to Gaza, which is 44 miles. Now when Sorius Ptolomeus the son of Abodus (who a little before had treacherously staine his sonne in law Simon at a banquet) heard of Ishns comming into the towne, he fent forth certain traitors and homicides to put him to death alfo: but Hyrcanas having certain intelligence of the matter, preuented the mischief, and put these traitors to the sword, I Mac. 16.

So all his trauels were 176 miles.

Concerning the towns and places mentioned in these travels, you may reade before.

¶ Of the Kines of Syria that succeeded Antiochus Epiphanes. and made war upon the MACHABEES. And first of the Travels of Antiochus Eupator.

THis Antiochus the yonger succeeded his father Antiochus E. piphanes, in the 149 yere of the Grecians gouernment in Syria, which was the 161 yere before Christ, and he continued King of Asia and Syria 3 yeares. Lysias the Kings Substitute for Syria, called this man by the name of Eupater, that is, a good Father; because Kings ought to be Fathers of their countries.

This Antiochus Eupator in the second yeare of his reign came with a great army from Antiochia to the town of Modin, which was 380 miles.

From Modin he went to the Hold at Bethfura: this he sharply besieged; being 12 miles.

From Bethfura he went to Bethfachara (almost a mile) to meet with Iudas Machabeus, who put him to flight, and kild 600 of his men, I Mac.6.

From Bethsachara hee returned to the Hold of Bethsura, and Wonit, which was almost a mile.

From Bethfura he came to Ierusalem, which was halfe a mile.

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From Ierusalem he went with his Army to Ptolomais, beeing 76 miles.

From Ptolomais hee returned to Antiochia, 204 miles and a halfe.

Concerning the townes and places mentioned in his Trauels, you may reade before.

The Trauels of Demetrius Soter the brother of Antiochus Epiphanes.

IN An. mundi 3809. before Christ 159. Demetrius Soter the son of Seleucus Philopater, who was sent to Rome, brought a Navy from thence through the Mediterranian sea, and came to Tripolis in Syria, which journy was 2680 miles, and vsurped upon the gouernment of Syria against young Antiochus the son of Epipham, I Mac. 7.

From Tripolis he went to Antiochia, where the King kepthis court, 88 miles. Here he caused yong Antiochus and Lysias to be slain, and after reigned in Syria 10 yeares. At length he was slain in a great battel, by Alexander the son of Epiphanes, 1 Mac. 7.

So all his trauels were 1760 miles.

of Tripolis.

His city was scituated in Phoenicia a prouince of Syria, on the shore of the Mediterranian sea, 170 miles from Ierusalem towards the North; and was so called because there dwelt in it three forts of people, viz. Tyrians, Sydonians, and Arabians. It is a very famous City even to this day, the Ocean sea comming into every street and principall place of it, and full as populous as Tyrus. For there inhabit Grecians, Latines, Armenians, Maronites, Nestorians, and people of many other nations of divers conditions and customes in manner of living. It aboundethalso with great aboundance of costly Tapestrie, which is made so curiously, and with such cost, that it is very delightfull to such as looke vpon it. It is credibly reported, That there are

found within the city of Tripolis 4000 men, that do little els but weaue and make Tapestry, and such like costly hangings. The country round about where it standeth is very pleasant, & because of the great aboundance of Vines, Olives, Figgs, and other fruits and shoures (which yeeld a comfortable smell, and is profitable for the maintenance of life) it is called Paradice. There is a field before the City, some two miles in length, and one in bredth, in which there are to be seene very curious gardens, and artificially contriued.

About fix miles from the city standeth mount Libanus, at the foot whereof riseth a goodly fountain, which with great violence runneth thence, but suddenly falling into the vallies, it ioyns with other waters, and becomes a faire and pleasant river, watering all the gardens of the plain between Tripolis and Libanus, but especially the mountains of the Leopards, which is not far off. In the Canticles, cap. 4. there is mention of this hill; Come with mee, my spouse, from the dennes of the Lions, and the mountains of the Leopards. The water of this Spring is very cleare, pleasant, cold and healthfull; vpon the banks of it there stand many churches & religious houses. It is called the Fountaine of the gardens, and is divided into three rivers or principal streams, besides many other small brooks which run thence and fall into the sea; so that the sentence Est. 9. is verified of this, A small fountaine shall increase to a great River, and shall be poured out against many waters.

The Trauels of King Alexander son of Epiphanes, and brother to Antiochus Eupator.

OF this Alexander, Institutes, lib. 35. where he sheweth, That he was not son to Antiochus Epiphanes, as was supposed, but had to name Prompalus, being a man of the meaner sort of people but the Antiochians for the great tyranny of Demetrius, falling into

into rebellion, gaue vnto him the name of Alexander, and withat caused it to be published abroad, that he was the son of Epiphanes. which by reason of his youth was easily beleeved. And at this time Demetrius because of his crueltie, being much hated of all forts of people; it came to passe that most, and those of the greatest also, combined with this yong man, supposing him indeed to be of noble descent, and the son of a King. Wherefore Alexander or Prompatus being thus encouraged, tooke vpon him to bee the brother of Antiochus Eupator, and called himselfe the lawful heire and fuccessor to the crowne of Syria: going from thence to Prolomais, where he kept a royall court; and in the yere of the world 3818, before Christ 150, by the help of the Antiochians & other the inhabitants of Syria, hee tooke vpon him the government of that country, and reigned fine yeares. This man suffered many varieties and changes of fortune: at first was put to flight by Demetrius; after hee put Demetrius to flight, and at length put him to death and vsurpt vpon his goue ment. In the third yere of his reign he maried Cleopatra the daughter of Ptolomeus Philometer King of Egypt, by whom he had his fon Antiochus. To this marriage Ionathan was invited.

In the last yeare of his government hee went from Prolomais to Antiochia, which was 200 miles, where hee opposed himselfe against Demetrius Nicanor the sonne of Demetrius Soter, 1 Machab.

6AP.10.

From Antiochia he went to Cilicia, which was 120 miles, to suppresse the rebellion of his subiects: but when hee heard that Ptolomeus Philometor his father in law had taken vp armes against him, conquered Syria, and given his wife to Demetrius Nicanor, which had been maried vnto him two yeares before, hee gathered all his forces hee could, and with all expedition made good the war against Ptolomeus: but hee was ouercome, and fled into that part of Arabia which bordereth upon the mountaine Amanus for refuge; where Zabdiel the governor of that countrey, fearing left he should fall into the displeasure of Ptolomens, caused his serwants to cut off his head, and sent it to him into Syria. Within three: three daies after which fight he died, being mortally wounded in the former battell, Iof.li. Ant. 13.6,17. Soall his trauels were 320 miles.

Of Amanus.

Manus was a mountain between Syria and Cilicia, which A extendeth it selfe to the river Euphrates. Between this Amanus and Euphrates, Arabia deserta is scituated, 400 miles from Ierusalem Northward, and signifies The mountain of truth; from Aman, True and faithfull.

The Tranels of Demetrius Nicanor, the some of Demetrius Soter.

IN the 165 yeare of the gouernment of the Grecians in Syria. I which was 141 yeares before Christ, Demetrius, syrnamed. Nicanor, which fignifies Victorre, failed out of Creet into Cilicia, which was 600 miles, Iof. Ant. 13.0.6. 1 Mac. 10.

Out of Cilicia he came into Syria the lower, 160 miles, where: ioyning with Apelonius he tooke vpon him the crowne and Kingdom of Syria. Afterward Apolonius went into Iud a with a great army, and befreged Iamnia. Ptolomeus Philometor also affished the proceedings of Demetrius, seeing Alexander his son in law beginning to decline; and the better to strengthen their allyance, matthed him to Cleopatra his daughter, which before had bin wife to Alexander; by which policie he added to the kingdom of Egypt all Asia, ouer which he ruled 2 yeares, 1 Mac. 11.

After, Demetrius Nicanor came out of Siria the lower; with Pio. ameus Philometor, to Antiochia, which was 80 miles, 1 Mac. 11.

From Antiochia they went with their army to a plain neer the mountain Amanus, 120 miles; where in a sharpe war they ouercame Alexander and put him out of his kingdom, Iof. Ant. li. 3. c. 7.

Now after the death of Ptolomeus Philometer, Demetrius Nicanor

Nicanor returned to Antiochia, 120 miles, where he gonerned the kingdome of Syria two yeares.

From Antiochia he went to Ptolomais, which was 200 miles, to which place *Ionathan* the high priest came to meet him, where he gaue to him many presents and great gifts to win his fauour.

T. Mac. II.

From Prolomais he returned to Antiochia, 200 miles. There his foldiers and the city of Antiochia rebelled against him. For which cause *Ionathan* the high-priest sent him 3000 men, which deliuered the King out of danger, put to the sword 100000 of the seditious, and burnt the city of Antiochia, 1 Mac. 11. But after Demetrius shewed himselfe vnthankfull, hee was driven out of his kingdome by Tryphon and yong Antiochus the sonne of King Alexander, who was also called Theos, which signifies God.

In the 172 yeare of the reigne of the Grecians in Syria, which was 138 before Christ, Nicanor having slaine Antiochus the son of Alexander, he would have reigned alone in Syria: wherefore Demetrius, who was the lawfull King of Syria, being 3 yeares before driven thence, went 1200 miles into Media to crave aid against Tryphon: but Arsaces king of the Medes, Parthians, and Persian, sent the chiefe captain of his host against Demetrius, who burned his tents, tooke him prisoner, and caried him back to his master, to Hecatompylon the chiefe city of his kingdome, distant from Syria 1220 miles toward the East, Instinctio. 36.38.

From Hecatompylon Arfaces fent him to Hyrcania the Metropolitan city of that countrey, which was 176 miles; where although Arfaces kept him as a prisoner, yet he allowed him royall attendance, and after maried him to his daughter, Iuli, 18.

After the death of Arfaces, with fingular industry and policie he got out of captiuitie, after he had beene 12 yeares prisoner in Hyrcania, and came into Syria, which was 14 miles, where he recoursed his kingdome, and reigned source yeares. So all his Trauels were 4156 miles.

I Of the Places to which he travelled.

Of Creta, now called Candia.

His is an Island of the Mediterranian sea, distant from Ierufalcm 600 miles Westward, very fruitfull and pleasant, in which there growes great plenty of Cypresse trees, and grapes of diuers kindes, but principally such whereof Malmsey and Sacke are made. Here Tylus, Pauls Disciple, was Bishop, wherefore you shall reade more of it after.

Of Seleucia.

Seleucia is a famous city of Syria, scituated vpon the shore of the Mediterranian sea, 280 miles from Ierusalem Northward, neere to which the river Orantes runneth, and the mountaine Cassus standeth, which is 4 miles high, Plin. 1.5.c. 22. You may read more of this in the trauels of S. Paul.

of Syria.

CYria was sometimes called of the Hebrewes Aram, of Aram I the sonne of Sem, of whom all Armenia tooke the name. Urap fignifies, A man of great spirit and dignity, being deriued of Rom, that is, lifted vp; for he was a man of an excellent ipirit, Gen. (4).10. Syria fignifieth a great tract of land, and is divided into two parts, the vpper and the lower. In the vpper Syria are these cities, Antiochia, Seleucia, Laodicea, and Apamea: in the lower Syria are Sydon, Tyrus, Berytus, Trapolis, and Orthofia. This Countrey is scituated in a very temperat Zone; from whence it happeneth that it is neither oppressed with too much cold nor heare. There are that divide Syria into foure parts, that is, into Syria, Affyria, Leucosyria, and Colosyria. Also Pliny, Lib. 5. Cap. 12. attributeth Mesopotamia and Babylonia to Syria. But it is euident that these were distinct Countries from them, in the which there reigned Emperours and Kings which had large and spatious Dominions. For Syria is scituated betweene the Mediterranian sea and Euphrates; but Mesopotamia (which is so called because it is scituated in the middle of waters) is separated from ĝŠĄ

from Syria and Affyria, with the rivers Euphrates & Tygris; and Arabia is separated from Syria and Babylon with many vast wildernesses. Therefore these countries cannot properly passe vnder the denomination of Syria.

Of Parthia.

DArthia is a spatious country full of mountains and desarts, ly. ing vpon the borders of Media Westward; the Metropolis whereof is Hecatompylon, taking the name of 100 gates where. with it is fortified. It lieth (as Stephanus faith) 1512 miles from Ierusalem Eastward. Here Arfaces that mighty King of the Parthians kept his court, who had under his gouernment Media, Parthia, Persia, Hircania, and the greatest part of all the countries to. ward the East. It is called Parthia because of the fruitfulnesse of the foile, being derived of Parab, To fructifie.

Of Hyrcania.

HYrcania is a fruitfull and pleasant countrey bordering vpon
Media and the Cashian sea for the most passed in the Media and the Caspian sea, for the most part plain & champian, beautified with many faire Cities, the chiefe of which are, Hyrcania (the Metropolis of the whole kingdome) Talebron, Samariana, Carta, and Tape. It was fo fat and fruitfull, that the inhabitants vse not to till and dresse the ground, as they doe incther places, but the feed that falleth from the huske vponthe earth, springeth vp and bringeth forth great plenty and increase, without further labour. The Dewes also falling vpon the trees, there droppeth from them oile and honey in great plenty. It taketh the name (as it is thought) from a Wood called Hyrcania. In like manner the Caspian sea which bordereth upon it, of this country is called Hyrcanum. Many cruel beafts are found therein, as the Panther, the Tyger, and the Leopard. The Panther is of a whitish colour inclining something to yellow, spotted all our with round shining spots; in like manner are their eies. She is a friend almost to all kinde of creatures, except the Aspe and Dragon, and (as Oppianus faith) neuer taken but when shee is drunke, or in her sleepe. She is the female to the Leopard. The Leopard is of the same colour, and of the nature of a Wolfe, being full, hee hurteth

hurteth nothing; but if empty he preyeth vpon every thing, yea, euen vpon men: his breath is very sweet, with which many other creatures being delighted, he often preyes vpon them; but beeing full he fleepeth fomtimes three daies together. The Tyger also is a very fwift and cruell creature, from whence he is so called his skin is yellow and full of black spots round and shining. If shee chance to lose her yong, the neuer leaves feeking till thee findes them out.

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The Travels of Tryphon, that put Antiochus to death.

N An. mundi 3826. before Christ 142. Tryphon, somtime chief Captain to Alexander King of Syria, who was flain in Arabia, went to Emalcuel Prince of Arabia deserta, with whom Antiothus the fon of Alexander was brought up; where he fo wrought with him, that he got the boy from him, and brought him thence into Syria, 160 miles; and within a while after besieged Antiothia, tooke the towne, droue thence Demetrius Nicanor, and crowaed yong Antiochus King of Assyria. This journy to and again was 320 miles, I Mac. II.

In the second yeare of the reign of young Antiochus, Tryphon went from Antiochia to Bethsan, where he perfidiously betrayed lonathan the brother of Iudas Machabeus, 1 Mac. 12. being thirtie fix miles.

From Bethsan he went to Ptolomais, 32 miles.

From Ptolomais he went to Addus a towne vpon the borders. of ludea, 68 miles, 1 Mac. 13.

To Addus Simon sent his brothers Children and his ransome, which was so talents of filuer: but after hee had received the mon By, he broke his word, and went thence with lonathan and his fons to Ador, 48 miles.

From Ador hee went to Baschaman in the land of Gilead, 96 miles. Here he put to death lonathan and his fonnes.

From the country of the Gileadites he returned to Antiochia which

which was 240 miles: here he put to death yong Antiochus, being but a boy of 7 yeares of age, and vsurped vpon the gouernment in his place. He began to reign in the 172 yeare of the Grecians gouernment in Syria, and reigned 3 yeares, 1 Mac. 14. Iof. li. Ant. 13.

About the end of the three yeares, which was in the 174 yeare of the Grecians gouernment in Syria, Antiochus Sedetes (brother of Demetrius Nicanor) made war vpon Tryphon, and compelled him to fly from Antiochia to Dora, 240 miles from Antiochia toward the South, I Mac. 15.

But Antiochus Sedetes followed him thither, and so streightly besieged Dora, that he was constrained to steale thence in a ship, and saile to Orthosia, which was 160 miles.

Lastly, in the way as he was going thence to Apamea, which was 120 miles, he was taken and put to death.

So all his trauels were 1360 miles.

¶ Of the places mentioned in his trauels, which have been formerly recited.

Of Dora.

Dorawas a hauen towne scituated vpon the shore of the Mediterranean sea, 48 miles from Ierusalem Northward, in the mid way between Carmeland Cæsarea Strato. In Inseph.cap.17. it is called Dorathat is, à durans.

Of Orthosia.

His was a city of Assiria, scituated vpon the shore of the Mediterranian sea, neere to the place where the river Eleutherius salleth into it, 200 miles from Ierusalem Northward, being so called of Diana, whom the Grecians called Orthosia, that is, Exalted or listed vp. Hither Tryphon sailed when hee sted from Intiochus Sedetes, 1 Mac. 15. Plin. lib. 5. cap. 20.

Concerning the trauels of Apolonius, Nicanor, Bacchides, and Condebius; because they are sufficiently described in the trauels of the Machabees, I thought it vnsit to speake further of them.

The Travels of Heliodorus.

Heliodorus fignifies the House of the Sun. He was Scretarie and chiefe Gouernor of Antiochia in Syria, for that mightie King Seleusus Philopater, who was brother to that cruel Tyrant Antiochius Epiphanes, and was sent by his Lord and master Seleucus from Antiochia to Ierusalem, which is 80 miles, to spoile the Temple of the Lord: but the Lord sent an Angel richly beautisted with armor of gold, sitting vpon a horse; who went to Heliodorus, and with his horse trod him under his feet: and there appeated two other Angels full of majestic and power, that strooke Heliodorus and beat him with whips, so that he lay upon the sloore of the Temple as a man halfe dead, and could not go forth until he was caried out, 2 Mac. 3.

From Ierusalem he went with that good man Onias chief priest of the Iewes (at whose earnest prayers and supplications hee was made whole) to Antiochia, 280 miles; where hee told Selencus Philopater of the wonderfull works of the Lord.

So all his trauels were 580 miles.

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The Trauels of the high-Priests of the Iewes that ruled before the Machabecs, as they are severally mentioned in the Books of Machabecs. And first of the trauels of Onias the high-Priest.

Nias fignifies the riches of God; from On, Opulency, and Iah, God: for although he was afflicted with pouertie in this world, yet he was rich in God. He succeeded his Father Simon the Iust, an. M. 3757. before Christ 211. Antiochus the great being King of Syria. He was high-priest 39 years until the death.

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death of Seleucus Philopater: at the end of which time, one Simon. the chiefe of those that kept the temple, being ambitious of rule. fell to words with onias, and from words to blowes; so that there were many outrages committed by the friends of Simon. Where. fore Onias to give place to the fury of his adversaries, went from Ierusalem to Antiochia, which was 280 miles. But Selencus Phi. lopater being dead, and Antiochus Epiphanes in the gouernment. who was a couetous and cruell prince; good Onias, partly for fear of him, and partly of his brother lason (who had but a little before purchased the office of high priest for 360 talents of silver, and promised to pay a yearely tribute of 80 talents) durst not return home to Ierusalem, but went to a sanctuary that stood in the wood of Daphne, which was about one mile from Antiochia, in hope of safety: towhich place one Andronichus chiefe Captaine to Antiochus, came to him, and with faire speeches and flattering words allured him out of the Sanctuary, and traiterously puthin to death. So his trauels were 281 miles.

The Travels of the high. Priest Iason.

T Ason and Iesus have both one signification: he entred vponthe I office of High priest in the first yere of Antiochus Epiphanu, which was 173 yeares before Christ. He went from Ierusalem to Antiochia, which was 280 miles, where after the death of Onia he payd to Antiochus for the office of high-priest almost 3 tunnes of gold, with promise to pay a yearely tribute of 48000 crowns.

From Antiochia he returned to Ierusalem, 280 miles; where he began to build the tower of Acropolis in mount Acra: and that he might please that wicked King, and keep his fauour, hee built certain Theatres in Ierusalem, and caused Interludes and Playes to be a ded in them, at such times and upon such daies as the people were wont to meet in the Temple to serue God. Also K. Antiochus Epiphanes in the 4 yeare of his priesthood comming to lerusalem, he gaue him royall entertainment.

The same yeare Iason was put out of his office of high-priest by the policy and cunning of his brother Menelaus, and was constrained to fly into the land of the Ammonites beyond Iordan, being 40 miles.

Two yeares after, when Antiochus Epiphanes inuaded Ægypt, there was a vaine rumor that he was flain; wherefore Iason with a thousand souldiers returned to Ierusalem, which was 40 miles, and broke suddenly into the city, so that Menelaus was constrained for fafety of his life to fly to the garrison of the Syrians that were in Ierusalem.

But Antiochus hearing what had hapned, came out of Ægypt with a great army to Ierusalem; wherefore he fled thence backe again to the Ammonites, 40 miles; but they fearing that Antiochus would come thither with his army, he was accused before A. reta King of Arabia, and constrained to fly from one city to another for fafety.

Wherefore when he perceived that he could not live there fecure, he went thence into Egypt, 280 miles.

From thence he went to the Lacedemonians, 600 miles, where hedied in exile, being cast out vnlamented or buried.

So all his trauels were 1560 miles.

Of Lacedemonia, the metropolitancity of Peloponesus.

Acedemonia or Sparta was a famous city of Peloponnesus, distant from Ierusalem 600 miles toward the West; which although it had no wals, yet was it one of the fairest and most populous cities in all Grecia; and was called Sparta of Spartus, who was sometime King thereof, and rebuilt it, adorning it with faire &goodly buildings. At first it was built by one Lacedamon, who was king thereof, and of him called Lacedemonia: and after, Menelaus that mighty King of the Grecians (who had to wife Helena the fairest woman of all Grecia) kept his court there. Here also Lycurgus that famous Philosopher reigned as King, and prescribed to the citisens and inhabitants excellent lawes, by the observance whereof they became famous in after ages, and performed

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many noble wars and exploits against their enemies. Ionathan and Simon held a friendly league with the Lacedemonians.

The Travels of the high-Priest Menelaus.

His Menelaus, called also Onias, was (as Iosephus saith) the third son of Simon the Iust, and brother to Iason, although, 2 Mac. 3,4. he is said to be the brother of one Simon of the tribe of Benjamin, who was chiefe of those that kept the Temple, of whom you may reade before. This man in the sourth yere of Antiochus Epiphanes was sent by Iason his brother to Antiochia, being 280 miles, vpon certain busines, but principally to cary the king mony. Where he made a secret Contract with him, to pay him 30 talents * beside all that his brother Iason had payd him, if hee would institute him to be high-Priest. The King in hope of prosit gaue care to his motion, and vnder pretence of injury & wrong offered by Iason, constrained him to leaue his office, and slie from Ierusalem into the land of the Ammonites for his safety, and so instituted Menelaus to be chiefe Priest of the Iewes; who entred vpon his gouernment in the yeare before Christ 169.

Wherefore Menelaus returned from Antiochia to Ierusalem, 280 miles; where he began to gouern not as chiefe Priest, but as

a cruell and wicked tyrant, 2 Mac.4.

But when in the beginning of his gouernment hee could not pay that great fumme of money which he had promifed, the king fent for him to Antiochia, being 280 miles, where for that time he was removed from his office, and his brother Lysimacus ordained chiefe Priest in his roome.

Wherefore Menelaus being fore troubled, vexed, and grieued in mind for that which had hapned in the first yeare of his priesthood, returned backe from Antiochia to Ierusalem, beeing 280 miles.

But a little after, when Antiochus Epiphanes brought an Armie into Cilicia, to suppresse the rebellion of the Tharsians and Mallotans, lotans, Menelaus taking aduantage of the Kings absence, went to Andronichus (who was chief Agent for the King in Syria) to Antiochia, 280 miles, and there gaue him certain golden vessels and jewels that he had stolne out of the temple, to hire him to be his stiend, and help him to his office of high-priesthood againe. But onius the elder hearing of this sacriledge, greatly reprehended Menelaus for this shamefull sact; but he taking it in ill part, combined with Andronichus, who by saire speeches alluring him out of the sanctuary in the wood Daphne, put him to death, after hee had bin 5 years in exile. But King Antiochus returning from Antiochia, accused Andronichus of treason, and by the means of a certain Courtier received Menelaus into favor.

From Antiochia Menelaus returned to Ierusalem, 280 miles 5 where by the help of his brother Lysimachus he stole a great masse of mony out of the Temple. Which sacriledge being known to the people, they fell to vprore and killed Lysimachus close by the Treasurie. They accused Menelaus also before Antiochus, 2 Mac. 149.4.

Antiochus in the second yeare of his priesthood went to Tyrus which is 100 miles, where he so corrupted certain courtiers with mony, that he procured the sauor of Antiochus, and caused his Accusers (good and insteam) to be banished thence, as slanderers, and such as went about to desame Menelaus.

From Tyrus he returned backe again to Ierusalem, 100 miles, where he fell into his old crueltie, and in the third yere of his government received Antiochus Epiphanes with his army into the city of Ierusalem, who cruelly murthered the citisens, and spoyled the Temple, 2 Mac. 5.

After the death of Antiochus, who as it is faid perished of a grieuous disease, and was buried at Babylon; his sonne Antiochus Eupuor came with a great Army into Iudæa in hostile manner. Wherefore Menelaus in the last yeare of his Priesthood went out to meet him. But Lysius accused him vnto the King, as one that was the onely author of all the euills that had hapned to the lewes. Wherefore Antiochus willed Lysius to take him prisoner; who brought him to Berea a towne in Syria, distant from Ierusalem 360 miles Northward; where vpon the top of a Tower sity

"That is, 180000 Crownes, cubits high, he was tied to a wheel and had all his joints broken. and through the extremity of the pain died, 2 Mac. 3.

So all his trauels were 2240 miles.

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The Travels of Alcimus, High-Priest of the posteritie of Aaron.

"His Alcimus after the death of Menelaus, which was the yere before Christ 150, went with certaine impious and wicked men to Demetrius Soter, who lived in Antiochia in Syria, being 280 miles, and there accused Indas Machabeus and all the godly lews; ving fuch flattery toward the King, that he obtained the principalitie and office of high-Priest, which he held three years, I Mac . 7.

From Antiochia he and Bacchides returned back to Ierusalem, where hee was instituted in the office of high-priesthood, which

is 280 miles.

But when he faw that hee was not able to with fland the power and fingular vertue of Indas Machabeus, he returned back to Antiochia, 280 miles; where after hee had accused the good menamong the Iewes, he obtained aid of Demetrius, who fent Nicanor with a great army into Iud a against Iudas, to establish Alcimus in the priesthood.

So Alcimus and Nicanor returned into Iudwa, 280 miles.

But Alcimus feeing familiar conference to passe between Nicanor and Iudas Machabeus, he went backe againe to Antiochia, 280 miles, where he told Demetrius of the perfidious dealing of Nitanor. Wherefore Demetrius being very angry at what had hapned, wrot a sharp letter to Nicanor, giving him to understand, That it was much against his minde that hee should make a leaguewith Indas: and further willed him (the faid league not with standing) tobring him bound to Antiochia. Vpon receit of which letter he made war vpon Iudas; in which expedition Nicaner was taken and had his head cut off. All this hapned in the first yeare of the priesthood of Alcimus. But

But when Demetrius neard of this overthrow, he fent Bacchides and Alcimus with a great army, who went to Antiochia, and came to Massoth in the country of Arbela, 192 miles, where they made incursions upon the tribe of Nepthaly, & slew a great multitude of the Israelites, 1 Mac. 9.

From Masloth they went with their army to Gilgal, 76 miles. This hapned in the second yeare of the priesthood of Alcimus.

From Gilgal they came to Ierusalem, 12 miles, 1 Marchab.

cap.9.

From thence they brought their army to Berea, 12 miles:here they were ouercome and put to flight by Indas Machabeus, I Mac. cap.9.

From Bereathey fled amongst the mountaines which are between Azotus and Gazeron, six miles. Here Iudas Machabeus was

flaine.

Wherefore Alcimus returned thence backe again to Ierusalem 20 miles, and caused the walls of the inner house of the Temple. and the monuments of the Priests to be taken down & destroied: but before his command was fully executed, the Lord strooke him with a dead palsie, of which he lay a time dumbe, but within awhile after he died of that disease, in the second yeare of his priesthood, an mundi 3811, and before Christ 157. Alcimus being dead, Bacchides returned back to Demetrius in Syria, I Mac. 9. For feuen yeares after there was no high Priest in Ierusalem, till Ionathan the brother of ludas Machabeus tooke vpon him that office, I MAC. IO.

So all his trauels were 1717 miles.

of the places to which he trauelled.

of Arbela.

His was a city in the upper Galile, belonging to the tribe of L Nepthali, 96 miles from Ierusalem Northward. Of which towne all the countrey is called Arbela, being deriued of arab, Toliehid. of

Of Masloth.

His allo is a towne of Nepthaly, 92 miles from Ierusalem Northward: and is deriued of Maschal, which signifies, Hee hath gouerned.

of Berea.

Othis city Iotham sometime fled from the sury of his brother Abimilech Iudge of Israel, Iudg. 9. It is scituated twelve miles from Ierusalem Westward, and signifies a cleare Well.

Thus by Gods prouidence haue I described the Trauells and Iournies of the holy Patriarchs, Kings, and Prophets, &c. as they are seuerally mentioned in the old Testament; that so, gentle Reader, thou mightst vnderstand what difficult and tedious journies, and in them what great labour and vexation they were constrained to beare in this world, till God of his mercy tooke.

them out of this vale of milery, and placed them in euerlasting happinesse, where now without doubt they remaine in peace.

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The quantities of the Monies both Silver and Gold, as they are severally mentioned in the Scriptures, reduced to our Weights and English valuations.

Ver fince the time that Monies have been allowed as currant in exchange betwixt man and man (which for that purpose as Aristotle saith was first ordained) it hath pasfed according to the valuation of a certain eweight, which for the most part is vniuerfall, according to the worth and estimation thereof in the feuerall countries where it is to be fold & exchanged; or elfe by Coine, which is current according to the valuation that is imposed upon it by the consent of a State, or command of a Prince. In both which there have bin vsed fundry distinctions of greater and lesse valuations of weights and coine, according to the necessitie and estimation thereof in severall Kingdomes and gouernments. As amongst the Iewes they vsed weights and no coine, and these distinguished in severall forts, and as is thought separated with fundry marks, that they might be known each from other. The weights that they vied were commonly three, vi? the Centiner or talent, the Mina, and the Sicle; according to the opinion of Iofephu, Budaus, Hoftins, and many others.

Of a Sicle.

A Sicle was a kind of weight currant among the Iewes, containing precisely halfe an ounce of filuer or gold, which that it might be distinguished, had a particular effigies or superfeription; viz. vpon one side was to be seene the measure wherein they kept Manna in the Sanctuarie, with this superscription, The Siele of Israel: and on the other the rod of Aaron flourishing, with

this inscription, Holy Ierusalem, which is ordinarily worth in Eng. lish mony 2 s. 6 d. and in gold 15 s. and more or lesse according to the purenesse or basenesse of either.

> Into a Drachma, i. 7 d.ob. whereof 4 make a ficle, Gen. 13. 15. Exed. 21. 32. 6c.

> Halfe ficles, mentioned Exod. 20.13.15.64.38.26. which was the yearely tax imposed vpon euerie man toward the building of the Tabernacle, 1. 15 d. Eng.

A ficle was diuided into these parts

Quadrans Sicli, or the fourth part of a Sicle, which was also invse among the Iewes, 1 Sam. 8.9. which a. mounts to a Roman peny, and in our mony to 7 d.ob. and by the Grecians were called Drachma.

Gherahs, Exod. 30.13. which was the 20 part of a ficle, and was worth 1 d. ob.

A common ficle, which weighed a quarter of an ounce, and was worth 15 d.

Of Sicles

The Kings ficle, which weighed 3 Drachma's, that there were is in our mony 22 d.ob. The ficle of the Temple, which weighed directly

halfe an ounce, and was worth 2 s.6 d.

Of a Mina.

Mina was a pound weight among the Iewes, and were of two forts, one of gold, which weighed 100 Drachma's, another of filuer, weighing 240 Drachma's. These were called the antient weights, but there was a later, which is faid to contain 100 Dena-

ria's or Attick Drachma's, which feem to be so called because of the traffick the Iews had with the Grecians, among whom it was worth 100 Attick Drachma's, i. 3 li. 2 s. 6 d. English.

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> The common Mina or pound (weighing 25 halfe ounces or ficles of the Temple) amounted to fixtie Of Mina's Drachma's, i. 375.6d. The Kings Mina or pound (weighing 20 halfoun-

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a forts, as ces or ficles of the temple) amounted to 80 drachmas appears in i. 50s. EZech, 45.

The Mina or pound of the Temple or San aurie, (which weighed 25 halfe ounces or ficles) maketh 100 Drachma's, i. 3 li.2 s. 6d.

Of a Talent.

He Hebrew talent ordinarily weigheth 125 pounds, which being divided, amounteth to 3000 ficles or halfe ounces, as it plainly appeareth, Exod. 38.25,26. where it is faid that 600000 men offered so many halfe sicles, which make 300000 sicles, the 100 part of which make a talent, from whence it appeareth that 3000 ficles make a talent. Also Epiphanes observeth, lib. 1, de Pon. That the Attick talent is equall in weight with the Hebrew; for as the Hebrew containes 3000 ficles, which make 125 li. fo the Attick containes 1200 Drachma's, which make the same weight, and is worth 375 li. of English mony. But the Hebrew Talent of gold, which for the most part is vsed in enery place, is worth 4500 li, in our mony,

The common talent (weighing 3000 quarters of an ounce, or common ficles) amounts to 6000 Drachma's, which is 187 li. 10s.

The Iewes had three forts of ta- 155. lents:

The kings talent weighed 3000 of the kings ficles I which amounted to 9000 Drachma's, which is 281 li.

The Talent of the Temple or Sanctuary weighed 3000 ficles of the temple, which are precifely fo many halfe ounces, which amount to three hundred fe-Luenty fiue pounds.

From hence then may eafily be gathered, that although the lewes had seueral weights and denominations of siluer and gold, yet only one kind was viually observed in traffique with other nations, and that had correspondencie with their Weights, the rest being only for the common fort or particular vies; for although there were divers Sicles, Mina's, and Talents among themselves, yet the common weight (whether it was of ficle, mina, or talent) was viually that which they termed the talent of the temple, and that had a just correspondencie with the Grecian Talent both in weight and worth; and this not only among them, but also by relation from them to the Italians; and that nation obtaining anvnuerfall monarchie made it common with vs also, of. Of other Weights wied among the Iews.

Hey had also other weights which they vsed, passing vnder I feuerall denominations and differing value; as Kefeph, a filuerling or Nummus; which name is very often vsed for a Sicle. as appeareth, Gen. 20.16. & 23.16.43.21. 2 Sam. 18.11,12. The Caldwans called this Silga, & the Hebrews Shekel, being precise. ly halfe an ounce, and worth 2.s. 6 d. For 30 of these Silverlings of the San Auarie our Sauior Christwns fold, Mat. 26. which a. mounteth to 3 li.15 s. English.

There was also another kinde of Siluerling or Nummus vsed. which was called Siclus, but it was the common or vulgar Sicle, which was but a quarter of an ounce, and was worth but 15 d.

There was another kind of filuerling or Nummus vfed, which was called Keshitah; of which you may reade in three several places of Scripture, Gen. 33.19. Iof. 24.32. Ieb. 42.11. and was fig. ned with the image of a Lambe vpon it, from whence it is so called. The antient Nummus of the Arabians and Chaldwans was like vnto this, as may be gathered by many circumstances out of the places where it is mentioned, and was of the same valuation as the Grecians was amongst the Iewes, which was I d.ob.

But the Siluerlings mentioned Ad1.9.19. are intended to be Grecian Siluerlings or Nummus, and is worth an Attick Drachma; for the Grecians reckon their fummes of mony by drachmas, as the Iewes and Romans by Sicles and Sestertia's, and is worth of our mony 7d.ob.

You shall read in Mat. 17.24. of a Didrachma, which is worth in our mony 15 d.

Also Mat. 17.27. of a Stater, which is a Greeke Coyne worth 2 s.6 d.

And Mat. 18.22. & 22.19, &c. of a Denarius, which was a Roman Coin, as is euident Mat. 21. because the image of Casar was vpon it, and was worth 7d. ob.

i Sam.cap.2. of a Scruple, which was worth 1 d.ob.q.c. In Exed. 30. Num. 3. EZe. 45. of an Obulus, which was 1 d. q. In Mat. 12. of a Minutus, which was ob.q.

And in Mar. 12. Mat. 5. you shall reade of a coine called Quadrans, which was something more than halfe a farthing. These are briefly the weights and monies the Lewes vsed, both forreine and domestick, in their trade and commerce.

Of the gold Weight among the Iewes.

He lewes also had their particular weights for their gold, as they had for their filuer, the least of which were called Zuza or Drachma, which is worth 7 s.6.d. and more or leffe according with purenes or basenesse of it. It was also called Daikemonim, Ild.2. and Nehem. 7. The Chald wans call it Edarchonim, Eld. 8.

The common Sicle of gold weighed two Drachma's, and was

worth 15s.

The Kings ficle weighed 3 drachma's, & was worth 22 s. 6.d. The ficle of the Temple weighed 4 Drachma's, being precifely halfe an ounce, and was worth 30 s.

The common Mina or pound of gold weighed 60 Drach-

ma's or Hungarian Ducats, which is worth 22 li. 10 s.

The Kings Mina or pound 80 Drachma's or Hungarian Ducats, which is 30 li. English.

The Mina or pound of the temple weighed 100 Drachma's or

Hungarian Ducats, which was 2250 li.

The common talent of gold weighed 6000 Drachma's or Hungarian Ducats, and was 2250 li. The Kings talent weighed 9000 Drachma's or Hungarian du-

cats, which was 3375 li.

The talent of the Temple weighed 12000 Drachma's or Hungarian ducats, which was of our mony 45000 li.

Of gold weights which were not originally the lewes, but borrowed of other Nations, and vied among st them.

Here are four kindes of Weights that are mentioned in the L Scriptures, which were common among ft the Iewes, besides the former, viz. Zahab, of which you may reade, 2 Kings, 5.5. 2. Chro. 480

2 Chr. 9.16. and is called by the name of a Nummus. The Sicle of gold, 1 Chr. 21.25. which is there also called Nummus. Both which being so called, seem to signifie a Didrachma of gold:and these two were properly belonging to the lewes. The other that follow belonged not to them, but they received them from other nations; as the Stater, Drachmon, and Adarchon.

The Stater was an antient piece of gold common amongst the Persians, Grecians, Romans, and other great gouernments, being distinguished by the superscription of the Kings or Countries where they were made or coined; as the Stater Philippici, Dari. ci, Alexandrei, Romani,&c. They were pure fine gold, some of which were as much in value as a double ducat, others as 4 Hun. garian ducats, and some as Portagues.

The Drachmon (of which you may reade, EZra 8.27, &c.) isa Persian coin as it seems, for the Grecian interpreters cal it Drachmen, which is as much more as the Attick Drachma, and in our

mony isworth 7 s. 6 d.

Adarcon also seemes to be a Persian coine, and doth imply the name of a prince, or Daricum signifies the gold of the Persians: For Darius the son of Hystasis then reigned, when these Nummus of gold thus called, were dedidated to the building of the Temple, and this man for the most part coined singular good gold, s Herodotus faith: wherfore they were either called Darici, because Blue Artax, they were coined by the Persian kings; or els, as Plutarch obserues, because the image of Darius stood vpon one part of it. And was worth of our mony 7 s. 6 d.

Herod.in Melp.

Thus you may perceive what diversities of weights were vsed amongst the lewes; being crept in amongst them partly because of their captiuitie, and partly because of their commerce & trade with other Nations. It is therefore worthy of observation, that if at any time you reade of any weight of mony, braffe, or the like in the holy Scripture, to confider of what fort of weight it is, viz. whether a Weight of the Iewes, or some forreine and strange Weight. If of the Iewes, Whether it be a common Sicle, the Kings ficle, or the ficle of the Temple. But if these may bee discerned, you shall for the most part finde the Addition, which may eafily distinguish them. But if there be no addition, that is,

the Kings ficle, or the ficle of the Temple, then you may prefume that it is the common ficle. And fo for other weights & monies.

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I That these things may appeare the plainer unto you, I have here added the principall summes of mony, reduced to our English valuations, as they are scucrally mentioned in the most places of Scripture. And first out of Genesis.

Genesis.

Bimilech King of Gerar said to Sara, I have given your Bro- Cap. 20. ther 100 filuerlings, which were common ficles, 62 li. 16s. Abraham bought a burying place for his wife Sara, for 400 fi- Cap, 24.v.23.

cles of filuer, which are common ficles, that is, 25 li.

Abrahams servant gave Rebecca halfe a sicle of gold, and two Gap. 15. v. 16. bracelets upon her hands weighing ten sicles, which are intended wbe common ficles, because there is no addition, which was 4. li. 28.6.d.

logeph was fould by his brothers for 20 filuerlings, that is com- Cap.27.v.28. mon ficles, according to the 70 Interpreters, 1 li. 5 s. but the filuerlings our Sauior was fold for were as great again, being ficles of the Temple, which were precifely halfe ounces.

Exodus.

He mul & that was prescribed by the Lord to pay by him Cap. 21. V. 32. I who had an Ox that gored or hurt another mans feruant, was 30 common ficles, that is, 3 li.15 s.

When the people were numbred, each man was to give halfe a Cap.30.831

scle of the Temple, i. 1 s. 3 d.

The feuen Lamps in the Temple, with their fnuffers and fnuf. Cap 37. v. 24. ing dishes, were made of a talent of fine gold, after the weight of the Temple, and were worth 4500 li.

All the gold that was occupied in all the worke wrought for Cap.38.7.2. the holy place, which was the gold of the offring, was 26 talents,

and 370 ficles according to the ficle of the fanctuary, which was 130596 li.5 s.

Cap.38.v.25.

But the filuer of them that were numbred in the congregation was 100 talents, and 1775 ficles after the weight of the Temple. which was 37721 li. 18 s. 6 d.

Cap.38.7.27.

Moreouer, there were 100 talents of filuer to cast the sockets of the san Etuarie and the sockets of the vaile, 100 sockets of 100 talents, a talent for a focket, which was 275 li.a focket, and in the whole,37500 li.

Leviticus.

Cap. 17. V.3.3 15.6.7.

TF any man shall make a yow of a person vnto the Lord by thy L estimation, then thy estimation shall be thus; a male from 20 yeares old vnto fixty years old shalbe by thy estimation at 50 st. cles of filuer after the ficle of the Sanctuary, which is 6 li. 5.s.

Ver.3.

But a female, then but 30 sicles of siluer, i. 3 li. 15 s.

And from 5 yeares old to 20 yeares old thy valuation shallbe, for the male 20 ficles of filuer, i. 50 s. and for the female 10 ficles of filuer, i. 25 s.

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But from a moneth old to 5 yeares old thy price of the Male shalbe 5 sicles of silver, i. 12 s. 6 d. and for the semale three sicks of filuer, which was 37 s. 6 d.

And from 60 yeares old and aboue, if he be a male, then 15 Sicles,i.37 s.6 d.

Numbers.

Cap.3 46.47.

For the redeeming of the 273 which were more than the Levits of the first born of the children of Israel, there shall be taken 5 ficles a man, after the weight of the Temple, i.12 s. 6d.a man; and for the whole 170 li.12 s.6 d.

Cap.7.13.

The Princes of Israel being 12 in number, offered vnto God each of them a filuer Charger of 130 ficles weight, and a filuer bowle of 70 ficles after the ficle of the fanctuary, i. 25 li. a prince, and amounted in the whole to 300 li. and an Incense Cup of gold of 10 ficles, for every prince, which was 7 li. 10 s.a man, which in the whole amounted to 90 li. Den-

Deuteronomy.

TF any man take a wife, & when he hath lien with her hate her, Cap, 22, y, 19, L and lay flanderous things to her charge, and shee prooue not guilty of the fact, hee shall be condemned in 100 common sicles of filuer, i. 6 li. 5 s.

If a man lie with a maid he shall pay vnto her father 50 sicles, Cap. 22, 7,29 viz. common sicles, i. 3 li. 2 s. 6 d.

10 huah.

Nd Achan answered Ioshuah and said, Indeed I have sinned Cap.75v.20. A against the Lord; for I saw among st the spoiles a goodly Babylonish garment, and 200 sicles of silver (i. 12 li. 10 s.) and a wedge of gold of 50 ficles, i.37 li.10 s. English.

Indges.

(ap.8.v.26. **U** 1700 ficles of gold, *i*. 1275 li.

The princes of the Philistims promised the harlot Dalilah, if Cap. 16.5. secould berray Sampson, to give her 1 100 silverlings, i.common ficles, which was 68 li. 15 s.

The body of the image in the house of Micah in mount Ephra- Cap. 17. V. 43 inweighed 200 filuerlings, i. common ficles, which is 12 li.10 s.

And the sum of mony which Micab's mother missed was 1100 common ficles of filuer, for which the curfed; i. 68 li. 15 s.

To the Levit that served Micah she gave yearly a suit of appatel, tenths, and ten filuerlings or ficles of the fanctuary, for with that kind of mony the Levits were rewarded, i. 1 li. 5 s.

I Samuel.

Nd all that remain of the house of Ely shall come and bow Cap.2.v 28 down vnto him for a piece of filuer; in Hebrew it is A. Egrah, which Forestarius and Avenarius interpret Scrupulo Argenti,

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F.25.7.2 5.

genti, which was I d.ob.q. But if you take the antient interpreters it was obulum, that is, I d. q. When Saul fought his fathers affes, his feruant had about him

Car.9. v. 8. the fourth part of a common ficle of filuer, that is, 3 d.ob.q. Cap. 17.V.5.

The Brigandine of the great gyant Goliah weighed 5000 ficles of brasse, which at 16 ounces in the pound, comes to 78 pounds and 2 ounces: and the head of his speare weighed 60 sicles, that is after the same weight, 9 pound quarter and halfe of iron.

II Samuel.

Cap.12.v.30. 1 Chr.21,2.

Nd David won the town of Rabba, & took the kings crown from his head and set it vpon his own head, which weighed a talent of gold, and was (according to our common interpreters in these times) a common talent of the Iewes, i. 46 li.14 ounces, worth 2250 li. English. But other writers, considering that if it had bin so heavy the King could not have worn it, therefore they thinke it to be a talent according to the Syrian weight, whichis not aboue a quarter of an Hebrew talent, and was of our weight 11 pound 4 ounces, that is 551 li. And the reason of their opini. on was, because Rabbah and the whole countrey of the Children of Ammon lay in the land of Syria, and therefore it must necessar rily follow that their weight was Syrian weight; the king of Rabban neuer wearing this crowne but when hee made some solemne feast or triumph. There are others that value it according to the worth of the crowne, not of the weight; and for that it was made of fine gold, fet with pretious stones and other jewels, therefore it weighed a talent, that is, it was worth a talent: according to that of Zach.ca. I. So they weighed for my wages as much as I am valued, i. 30 filuerlings. Thus have I fet before you three interpretations, follow which you like.

Cap.18.v.11:

And Isab spake vnto the man that brought him word that Abfolon was hanging upon an Oke tree, faying, If thou hadft smote him to the ground I would have given thee ten ficles of filuer, or ten filuerlings, which was 12 s. 6d. The man answered him and faid, If you had laid 1000 filuerlings (that is, 62 li. 10 s.) in my hand, yet I would not have laid my hand upon the Kings ion. When

When the Angell of God stretched forth his hand ouer Icrufalem, and strooke the people with the pestilence; at the commandement of Gad the Prophet, David went to Graunah the Iebusite and bought his threshing flore for fiftie sicles of silver of the common weight. Some fay that every tribe gave fifty ficles. which was 3 li.2 s.6 d.a Tribe; and in the whole amounted to 37 li. 10 s.

He Queene of Saba gaue vnto King Solomon 120 Centiners Cap. 5.7,28: or Talents of gold; which was 265000 pounds English: this was pure Arabia gold, and therefore according to the worth of gold in these daies, much more than is set downe.

King Solomon had brought into his Kingdome in one yeare Cap.to.v.14, 666 Talents or Centiners of fine Arabian gold; which at 4500 pound the talent, is 2997000 li. viz. two millions nine hundred ninetie seuen thousand pounds English. But the silver that Solomon had was not to be numbred.

And King Solomon caused 200 targuets to be made, of the fi- Capito, v. 162 nest gold, each targuet weighing 200 sicles of gold, that is, 600 Hungarians ducats; and was worth 225 li.a targuet: which in the whole amounteth to 45000 li. English.

There came and went up out of Ægypt a chariot worth 600 Cap. 10, 1/29. sicles of silver, which is 37 li. 10 s. and a horse worth 150, li. that 9li.7 s. 6 d.

II. Kings.

N Aaman general of the King of Syrias hoft, when he trauelled Cap.s.v.s. to Samaria to be healed of his leprosie, tooke with him 10 talents of filuer, that were of the common weight, each talent worth 187 li. 10 s. being in the whole 1875 l. But if you account stafter the Syrians talent (as some would have it) which is but the fourth part of the Hebrew; then it came to 46 li.17 s.6 d. the talent, and in the whole to 468 li. 15 s. He also brought 1000 Drachmas of gold, which were so many Hungarian ducats, and Were worth 375 li. English.

Being healed of his leprofic, he gaue to Gehazie, two talents of Cap. S.v. G. filter in two bags; which if they were according to the weight of the Iewes, amounted to 375 li. and was as much as a man

could

could carrie. But if according to the Syrian weight, then it came but to 95 li, which he might well carry and not be discouered.

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Cap. 6. V. 25.

Cap.7.V.18.

Cap. 15. v. 19.

Benbadad king of Syria to straightly besieged the city of Samaria, that an Asses head was sold at 80 pieces of silver, or silverlings, which is 5 li. and a quarter of a cabe of Doues dung, at sive pieces or silverlings, that is, 5 s.4d. But after the Lord struck the Syrians so that they fled from their siege, and the citizens opened their gates, and risted their tents; by which meanes there was such plentie, that two measures of Barley was fold for a siele, that

is, 15 d. and two measures of fine floure at 15 d.

When Phul, king of Assiria, inuaded Menahem king of Israel, he was constrained to give him a thousand talents of silver, that is, 187500 li. that his helpe might be with him to establish a king dome in his hand, and depart: for the payment of which money, all the men of substance in Israel were constrained to pay sisting sicles of silver a piece, that is, 3 li. 2 s. 6 d. a man.

I Chronicles.

C1p.22.V.14.

Twas said that Dauid left Solomon towards the building of the Temple 10000 talents of gold, that is, 450000000 li. four hundred and fiftie millions of pounds.

also he left him for the finishing of the same worke 1000000. Talents of silver, which amount vnto 375000000 li.viz. three

hundred seventie five millions of pounds.

Cap.29 7.4.

Also David dedicated to the Temple of his owne goods 3000 talents of gold, that is, 13,5000 li. And of silver 7000 talents, that is, 262,5000 li.vi7.2 millions 6 hundred 25 thousand li. English.

The offering which Dauid gaue towards the building of the Temple, was 5000 Talents, and 10000 Adarcons or Hungarian Ducats of gold, that is, 22507500 li. viz. twentie two millions flue hundred feuen thousand flue hundred pounds. So all that was gluen by Dauid towards the building of the Temple was 8 hundred 47 thousand millions, 3 hundred 82 thousand 5 hundred pounds.

Il Chronicles.

Solomon made 300 shields of fine gold, enery shield weighing 300 pieces of gold, that is, 112 li.10 s. so in the whole they came to 33650 li.

Esdras.

Some of the chiefe of the Iewes, when they returned from the Cap.2.x.69: Captivitie of Babylon vnto Ierusalem gaue to the building of the Temple 61000 Drachma's, or Hungarian Ducats of Gold; that is, 21525 li. also five thousand pound of filuer, which at 37 s. 6 d. the pound commeth to 9275 li.

ARTASHAST (who in some places is called Darius Artax. Cap.7,v,21,21, trxes Longimanus) commanded his Treasurer to give vnto Escaration towards the building of the Temple Ierusalem, 100 Centiners or talents of silver, which (at 187 li. 10 s. the talent) commeth to 18750 li. according to the Hebrew common weight; for as oft as there is no addition, it is to bee intended in every place the common weight.

The king of Persia and his Nobles, with all Israel, gaue to the Cap. 8.v. 16,26; building of the Temple in Ierusalem 650 Centiners of silver of the common weight, which (at 187 li. 10 s. the talent) commeth to 121875 li. also in silver vessels 100 centiners or talents, which (at 187 li. 10 s. the talent) commeth to 18750 li. also 100 Centiners or talents of gold, which (at 2250 l. the talent) in the whole commeth to 225000 li. or thereabouts: also 20 cups of Gold weighing 1000 Drachma's or Hungarian Ducats, that is. 375 li. each of which cups were worth 18 li. 15 s.

Nehemiah.

The Tirshatha (or as some haue it Nehemiah) gaue to the work Cap.7.v.37. 1000 Drachmas of gold, which was 275 li. and some of the sathers gaue to the worke 20000 Drachma's or Hungarian Ducats of gold, which came to 5500000 li. also 2200 pounds of sluer, which was 4125 li. and the rest of the people gaue 20000 Drachmas or Hungarian ducats of gold, which came to 5500000 li. also 2000 pieces of siluer, which were common pounds, which commeth to 3756 li.

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PRoud Hammen offered 10000 Centiners or talents of filuer, Capitalist to destroy the Iewes; which (at 187 li. 10 s. the talent) commeth to 1875000 li.

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EZekiel.

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Ezekiel.

A Sicle of the Temple shall be 20 Gerahs, that is, 2 s. 6 d. (for Cap.45.7.43. In this place he speaketh of that which belongeth to the San. ctuary) and the Mina (that is the Kings Mina) shall be 20 ficles: and 25 ficles shall be the Mina of the Temple: and 15 ficles shall be the common Mina, of which you may reade before.

Tobias.

Ld Tobias willingly lent unto the poore man Gabel in Rages, Cap. x. v. 10. a towne in Media, ten pounds of filuer, that is, 18 li. 15 s. But if it be according to our translation, that is, ten Talents at 187 li,

10 s.the Talent is 1963 li. after the common weight. But if af. ter the weight of the Temple, it comes to as much more.

I Maschabeus.

Caliciv 40.42. Demetrius king of Syria offered to give yearely unto the lewes for the building of the Temple, 15000 ficles of filuer, of the temple weight; that is, 1000 Mina's, which (at 37 s. 6 d. the Mi na) comes to 1875 li. And, if they would aid him, he would allo restore the money againe which his officers had kept back of the reveneues of the Temple; which was yearely 5000 ficles of the Temple, of filuer; that is, 2500 crowns English, which is, 625.ll.

Cap. 11. V 28.

Ionathan the high Priest of Ierusalem, wrought sowel with Demetrius king of Syria, that he released the Iewes of their yearely tribute and made them free: for which freedome hee gaue 300 Centiners of gold or common talents; which at 2250 li.thetalent, commeth to 675,000 li.

Ca.ia.V.16,19.

Simon to release his brother, sent to Tryphon, the K. of Syrias General of his hoft, 100 centiners or talents of filuer, of the commonweight, which at 187 li. 10 s. the talent amounts to 18750 li. Simon the high Priest of Ierusalem sent to the Romans a great

Cap.14.V.14,

fhield of gold, weighing 1000 pounds; which is 100000 Hungs rian ducats, 37500 li English.

Ca,15. V. 31.35.

Antiochus Demetrius his sonne, K. of Syria, asked of Simon the high priest of lerusalem, for the redemption of certain towns that he had taken fine hundred centiners or common talents of filuer: and for his charges as much more; in all, a thousand Centiners

or Talents: that is 187500 li.in English money. But Simon refused the proffer, yet neuerthelesse, that he might live in peace, hee offered him 100 Talents of filuer, which (at 187 li, 10 s, the Talent)amounteth to 18750 li.

II Macchahees.

[17] Hen Heliodorus would have robbed the Temple, there Caparana was in it 400 Centiners of filter (of the weight of the Temple) which at 375 li. the talent, commeth in the whole to 150000 pounds English: also 200 Centiners of gold, which at 4500 li.the talent, amounteth to 900000 li.

lason that wicked Priest deceived his brother Onias of the of- Cap.4.v.8. fice of high Priest, and gaue to king Antiochus for it, first, 360 Talents of filuer; then 80; after, 150: all the common Weight, which were in the whole 590 Talents, and amounted at 187 li.

10s. The Talent to 110625 li.

The wicked Iason being high Priest, hearing that Antiochus held agreat feast in Tyrus, sent 300 Drachma's of silver, that is,9 li. 78.6.d. for a facrifice to Hercules. But if you change these into Hungarian ducats (as there are some thinke them to be Gold) then they came to 112 li.10 s.

Menelaus being fent by Iason the high Priest to the King, he behaued himselfe in such cunning manner, that hee got the high priests office; promising the King 300 Centiners or Talents of filuer, more than Iason would give; which at 187 li. 10 s. the Talent commeth to 5 62 50 li. 10 s. But being vnable to performe his

promise, he was put from his office of high Priest.

Antiochus payed yearely to the Romanes 2000 talents of sil- Cap 8.v. 10. uer, that is, 375000 li.

Antiochus tooke 1800 Centiners or Talents of filuer of the Cap. 5. v. 216 Temple of Ierusalem, which at 187 li. 10s. the talent commeth to 3375000 li.

Nicanor caused to be proclaimed, that hee would fell the cap- Cap.8.v.10. tiue Iews,19 for a centiner, that is, for every Iew 9 li.17 s.4 d.q.c.

Iudas Macchabeus sent 2000 Drachma's of silver to Ierusalem Cap. 12.43. tora sinne offering, that is, 62 li.10 s.

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Now followeth the Reckonings of the monies in the New Testament.

And first of Matthew.

Capis,

He that agreeth not with his aduersarie, shall be cast into prison and not come forth (so faith our Sauiour Christ) vntill hee hath payed the vtmost farthing. The Hebrew and Latine translations have it, Quadrans, or a fourth part, that is, a farthing in our money: but if you account according to the Roman coine, it was ob. q.

Cap. 10. 7.29.

Doe not men buy to Sparrowes for a pennie? that is, something more than halfe a farthing.

Cap. 17. 7.25.

When our Sauior Christ went into Capernaum, the receivers of tribute spake to Peter, saying, Dothnot your Master pay tribute. The tribute money in the Text is called Didrachum, which was 15 d. for so much every man payed for tribute: from whence may be gathered, that the pennie that Peter tooke out of the fishes mouth, was worth 2 5.6 d.

Cap.18,v.23.

The kingdome of Heauen is like vnto a King that would cill his feruants to account, and when he began to reckon with them the one ought him 10000 li. in Hebrew weight; which at 375.6 d. the pound, commeth in the whole to 18750 li. so much was the wicked servant in debt to his Master. And on the contrary, one of his fellow servants ought him 100 pence: in the Hebrew text it is Centum Obulus, and one Obulus was 1 d.q. that is, 105.5d. so that the bad servant ought his Master 30000 times more than his fellow servant ought him.

The Greeke text saith, that this fellow ought him Centum Derius; that is, 3 li. 2 s, 6 d. which is yet a great deale of difference; for the wicked feruant ought his master about 6000 times more than his follows for want or the him.

than his fellow feruant ought him.

Cap. 2.5.5.

The Lord of the Vineyard agreed with his labourers for a pennic a day; in the Hebrew text it is Zuza; and in Greeke Denarius; both which are of like value English, that is, 7 d.ob. so much each labourer had by the day.

When the Pharifes & Herods servants tempting Christ, asked

him whether it was lawfull to pay tribute vnto Casar or not: Christ answered and said, You Hypocrites, why tempt you me? shew me the tribute money, and they brought him a penny; where it is express by the word of Zuza, or Denarius that is 7 d.ob.

The kingdome of heaven is like vnto a man that travelling in-Mat, 25, 14, 15, to a farre countrey, called his fervants, and delivered vnto them his goods; to one he gave five talents; that is, 937 li. 10 s. with which he gained just as much more, that is, 937 li. 10 s. to the fecond hee gave two Talents of the common weight also, which was 375 li. and he also gained just as much more, that is, 375 li. and to the third he gave one Talent, that is, 187 li. 10 s. and hee gained nothing with it, but hid the Talent in the earth.

Iudas Isearior betraied our Sauiour Christ for thirtie pence or Capassala pieces of filuer, which were so many sicles of the Temple, each sicle being halfe an ounce, which were accounted worth 2 s. 6 d. so the whole came to 3 li. 15 s. for which our Sauiour Christ was betraied. And with it they bought a Potters field.

Marke.

Ovr Sauiour Christ sate over against the treasurie, and beheld Caulanar, 42, how the people cast into the Treasurie; and many rich men cast in much; and there came a certaine poore widdow, and shee threw in two mites, which is a farthing, or *Quadrans*, which was the fourth part of an Asis, being almost a penny English.

Our Sauiour Christ being at Bethanie in the house of Simon Cap, 14, 17, the Leaper, there came a woman having a boxe of oyntment of costly oyle called Spikenard, and shee broke the box and poured it upon his head; therefore some murmured among themselves, and said, Towhat end is this wast of oyntment? for it might have beene sold for more than three hundred denarios or pence, that is, 91i.7 s. 6 d.

Luke.

Ovr Sauiour Christ saith, Are not fine Sparrowes solde for Cap. 12.14,6. two farthings? that is, A Bibus duobus, which is 1 d.ob.

Orwhat woman having ten pieces of filuer, that is, ten Drach-Cap. 154.8. ma's or groats, (each being worth 7 d.ob.) and lose one, will not feek til she find it, &c. So these 10 were in English mony 6 s. 3 d.

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Cap.19.v.12.

A certaine Nobleman went into a farre country to receive for himselfe a kingdome : and he called his ten servants, and delive. red them ten pieces of money, or ten pounds, or Mina's (according to the weight of the Temple) which came to (at 3 li.2 5.6d. the Mina) in the whole 21 li,5 s.

Cap. 6. v. 5.

X / Hen our Sauiour Christ would feed 5000 men, besides women and children hee faid vnto Philip, Where might wee buy bread that these people might eat? (which he spake to proue Philip.) Philip answered and said, That 200 pennie worth of bread will not be sufficient for them that every man might take a little. The 200 pennie worth of bread are called Denarios, which was worth 7 d. ob. in our money, and in the whole is worth 6 li. 5 s. From whence may be gathered, that there being 5000, every one of them should have had no more bread than might have bin bought with a farthing mite and halfe of our filuer.

Cap. 1237.5.

As our Sauiour Christ six daies before the Passeouer was ead ting in the house of Lazarus, (whom he had raised from the dead in Bethania,) Mary, Lazarus fister tooke a box, some say a pound of oyle of Spikenard, and annointed Iefus feet, and wiped them with her haire; and the whole house was filled with the sauour of the ointment. Then said one of his Disciples, euen Iudas Iscarin, Simons sonne, Why was not this ointment sold for 300 pence; that is, denarios; euery denarios being worth 7 d.ob. which amounted in the whole to 9 li.7 s.6 d.

Cap 19. V.39.

When Christs body was to be buried, Nicodemus came and brought Myrrh and Aloes mingled together, about 100 pound weight according to the common weight, which was 2500 halfe ounces and came to 78 pounds and eight ounces, English.

Aits.

TN Asia many bookes were burnt to the value of 50000 pieces of filuer, that is, Roman denarios, cuery of which was 7d. ob. the whole amounting to 1562 li. to s.

Thus have I briefly fet forth to you the seuerall weights that

were common among it the Iewes, both as they were originally from themselues, and as they received them from other Nations, comparing them with the Scriptures as they are feuerally mentioned, and reduced them to our valuations. In cashing vo of which, if there shall chance to be any errour, you may with the due examination of the worth of every piece of filter or Gold (according as you may finde them at the beginning of this Treatife) easily reforme them, and bring them to your owne vnderstanding.

PROBLEM EXAMENDED EXAMENDE

Of the ancient Money and Coyne that was vsed amongst the Græcians and Romans.



Rom what hath beene said, may be gathered, that the Iewes vsed no Coyne but Weights onely, though perhaps to put a distinction betweene those Weights, there was vsed some impression: yet that cannot properly be said. all other Kingdomes (where money was current)

there was yied Coyne; and that valued according to the will of command of the Prince or State where it was coyned: which also because of the captiuitie of the Iewes, came amongst them, and past as currant according to their worth; of which Coynes I haue already spoken. Yet because there are many other Coynes and Weights mentioned in the Epistles of the Apostles, which were partly of the Gracians, partly of the Romanes, intowhich gouernments most of them trauelled; I will therefore endeauor to let before you the valuation of the Græcian and Romane Coynes and Weights reduced to our valuation and Weights, that so those monies mentioned in the New Testament, and in this Treatise omitted, may with the more facilitie be apprehended and made plaine vnto you.

Hefych.in.

Of the Græcian coine; and first of their Silver and Brasse Nummus or Money.

The Atticke Drachma.

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N Atticke Drachma was a proportion for almost all the A Greeke monies: for the Gracians numbred their monies by Drachma's, as the Romanes by Sestertia's. This was the Nummus or coine amongst the Athenians and was the eighth part of an ounce, which is worth in our money 7 d.ob.

The Stater, which was also called Tetradrachma, upon the one fide whereof was the head of Minerua, vpon the other the Owle: was worth foure Atticke Drachma's, as is manifest Matth. 17.25.

which is in our money 2 s.6 d.

The Didrachma, which was also among st the Athenians, called Bos, because it was figned with the similitude of an Oxe vpon the one fide of it (of this Thefew was the first author) as Plutarch remembreth: it was worth halfea Stater, or two Drachma's, that is in our money 15 d.

The Tridrachma, which was three Drachma's, and worth in

our money 23 d.ob.

The Obulus Atticas, which was the fixt part of an Atticke Drachma, was worth of our money 1 d.q.

The Semiobulus, which was the least of the Greeke filuer coine.

was worth ob.q.

There was also a Diobulus, which was the third part of a Drachmæ, and worth 2 d.ob.

Triebulus, which was halfea Drachma, and worth 3 d.ob.q. Tetrobulus, which contained two third parts of a Drachma,

and was worth 5 d. English.

The Drachma of Ægina contained ten Atticke Obulus, and was worth r s.ob. English.

Obulus Aginus, was the fixt part of the Drachma of Agina, and was worth 2 d. halfe faithing and a third part of a farthing.

Triobulus Aginaus, was halfe an Aginus Drachma, and of our was worth 6d.q.

Stater Corinthius, was worth ten Obulus of Ægina, and of ours 1 s.8 d.ob.q.

Stater Macedonius, was worth in ours 2 s.9 d.q. and three seconds of a farthing.

Of the Asiaticke Silver.

He Asiaticke money was of lesse valuations, and other de-I nominations than the rest of Greece; for the greatest of their filuer Coyne that was viually current, was but ten pence: and it was called by the name Siglus, which was worth feuen Atticke Obulus and a halfe, as Xenophon faith : but as Hefychius faith, it was worth eight Attick obalus, and foure scruples, which is 10.d. in our money.

Cistophorus was also Asiatick filuer, and was so called, because Lucian in caof the image that was vpon it: and was worth of our money suid.loi.allegat

4d.ob.c.

Danaces, which piece of mony the Gracians vsually put into the mouth of the dead, to pay Charon for their passage to Elifum warworth ob.q.and two third parts of a farthing.

They had but two forts of braffe money, that is mentioned Of the Braffe to continue currant among them; and they were Arcolum and the Gracians

Minutum.

Æreolum was worth the fixth part of an Atticke Obulus, according to the opinion of Suidas and others, which in our money is q.c. and one third part of a mite.

Minutum, is the seuenth part of that, which is little more than

halfe a mite.

Of the gold coines among the Gracians.

IN the next place, is to be described the quantity and valuation of their gold coines, of which there is any mention in ancient authors: and they were among the Athenians an Atticke Stattr which weighed two Drachma's, as Pollux faith, and was worth with vs 15 s.and a Darious which was worth 15 s.

A Stater was divided into these parts, that is, A Semi Stater.

which was worth 7 s. 6 d.

A Tetrestater, of which Aristotle and Pollux speaketh li.9. which was worth of our money 3 li.

And the Macedonian golden Stater, coined by Philip, Alexander, Ly smachus, Demetrius, and others, which succeeded in Macedonia, Syria, and Asia, which was worth of our money 18s.4.d.

The Egina Drachma. Of the Asiaticke Gold.

Stater Daricus, which before was called Adarchon, was a Nummus or a piece of coine of the Persians, and worth a Didrach, ma, having vpon it the similitude of a Sagitarius, according to Plutarch, in the life of Agesilaus, and was worth with vs. 15 s.

Xenophon lib.1

Semi Darcius, of which there is mention in Xenophon, was worth halfe a Darick Stater, and weighed an Atticke Drachma, which was worth with vs 75.6 d.

Cizycenus was a piece of coine so called, as may be thought of a towne called Cizycus, of which you may reade Strabo, lib. 14. and was worth 7 s. 6 d.

Of the Gracian Mina and Talents.

The Atticke minas weigh one hundred Drachmas, and was equall to the Mina of the Temple among st the Iewes, according to the opinion of *Xenophon* and *Plutarch*, and was worth with vs 3 li.2 s.6 d.

There were divers kindes of Talents, according to the opinions of Pollux and Varro, most of which weighed fixtie Minaes, and a Mina one hundred Drachma's, and for the most part, six thousand Drachma's (of the Countrey where the Talent was) make a Talent.

The Atticke Talent contained fix thousand Atticke Drachma's, according to the opinion of Pollux and Fessus, and is equal to the common Talent among the Iewes, worth in our money 1871i.10 s.

But according to the opinion of Linie and Priscianus, there was an Atticke Talent worth eight thousand Drachma's, which was 250 li.

The Ægyptian Talent, according to the opinion of *Plinie* and *Varro*, weighed as much, that is, 250 li.

The Syrian Talent contained 1500 Atticke Drachmas, which was 46 li.178.6 d.

The Eubeian Talent (according to the opinion of *Pompey*, and *Festus*) weighed foure thousand *Denarios*, that is, Drachma's, and was worth 125 li.

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The Rhodian talent contained 4500 Attick Drachmas, worth 240 li.12 5.6 d.

The Babylonian Talent was 7000 Attick Drachmas, worth

The Ægina talent was 1000 Atticke Drachmas, that is 212 li.15 s.

The Alexandrian talent is 12000 Atticke Drachmas, which was as much as the talent of the Temple, which is 375 li. English.

The ancient Talentum Siculum (according to the opinion of pollux) was fix Drachmas, which was 3 s.9 d. English.

The Neapolitan talent was as much, according to the opinion of Varro, that is, 3 s. 9 d. English.

The ancient Talentum Siculum, and the Sicilian talent (as Varro faith) is all one, and is worth 1 s. 10 d. ob.

The Regian talent was but halfe a Drachma, and is worth 3 d.ob.q.

Of the Coines and Moneyes of the ancient Romans: and first of the Brasse Money.

A S(as Varro saith) is as much as As, that is, brasse: For Arius was a coine weighing a pound weight: but after many
changes that happened in the Roman State, it came to be worth
the tenth part of a Romane pennie, which with vs is worth
ob.q.

Semific, is as much as halfe an As according to Varro, and was worth q.c.

Triens, that is, the third part of an As, which was halfe a farthing.

En Quadrans, was the fourth part of as As. Plinie calls it Triuncis; Cicero, Triunus, because it was a diminution of the former pound containing three ounces; and with vs worth three mites.

Sextane, that is, the fixt part of an Agia, which was worth q.or two mites.

Vncia, the twelfth part of an Aßis, worth one might c. ... semiuncia, worth halfe a mite.

Sex.

Sextula, that is, the fixth part of an ounce, worth the fixth part of a mite. These are the ancient brasse moneys viual amongs the Romans; but there were greater vsed in later times, according to the opinion of Varro.

Of the silver mony among st the Romans.

Denarias was so called because it was worth ten Asses; but it was not alwaies of one worth and estimation amongst the Romans, for the ancient Roman Denarius or penny, which was current in the time of the Consuls, weighed but the seuenth part of an ounce (according to the opinion of Celsus and many other Authors) and was worth of our money 8 d.ob.c. and one seuenth part of a might.

Denarius Novus, or the new pennie, was first coined in Claudius the Emperors time, and was worth (according to the opinion of Plinie and others) precisely a Drachma, that is, 7 d.ob.

Bigatus and Quadrigatus, is all one with the Roman Pennie, and was fo called, because these words were stamped upon one side of it, and was worth 7 d. ob.

Victoriatus, was a Coine first brought up by the law of Clodius amongst the Romans, being so called, because the image of Victorie was upon it; and according to Plinie was halfe a Denarius, and is worth 3 d.ob.

Sestertius is so called of Sesquitertiers, according to Priscianit was two Asses and a halfe, and was worth 3 ob. q.

Obulus, is the fixth part of a Denarius, and worth 1 d.q. Libella, is the tenth part of a Denarius, and worth ob.q.

Simbella, so called, because it was halfe a Libella, and was worth farthing and halfe.

Teruntius, was the fourth part of a Denarius, and was worth two mites and a halfe.

Of the gold among the Romans.

Here were also gold denarins amongst the Romans; either fo called because they had the same stampe; or else because they were about the same bignesse to see to, coyned in the time of the Consuls, worth in English money 17 s.ob.a piece.

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The other was coined later, about the beginning of the Empenours, and weighed two Drachma's; being of equall weight with our English Spur-royalls, which are worth 15 s. This was after the first fine Emperors, much diminished in weight: Nero made it lighter by two or three graines; Galba, Nerua, Trajanus, and Hatrianus, by eight graines: but those that Vespassan and succeeding Emperours coined, were precisely two Drachma's.

A Semissis of gold, weighed a just Drachma, and was worth

A tremisis of gold, which was three parts of an Is, was worth 5 s.

Of the gold after the seat of the Empire was translated to Byzantium or Constantinople.

Constantine the Great diminished that Coine which was a Drachma, to a Didrachma, and the seuenth part of a Drachma; and was worth of our money 8 s.6 d.ob.

And thus they continued till the time of Valentinian the Emprour, who caused six of them to be coined out of an ounce of gold, and therefore as Isidor saith, were called amongst the Græcus & 2000, that is, Sextuala, because it was the fixt part of an ounce, and was worth 10 s.

The Semissis of Valentinian gold was worth 5 s.

The Triens or Tremisis, was worth 3 s.4 d.

The Scruple, which was the fourth part of a golden shilling, 18,6 d.

Of the silver and brasse money of the Empire; after it was translated to Constantinople.

Miliarissimum weighed two Drachma's (according to the opinion of Cedrenus) and was worth 15 d.

Ceratus, was a piece of Coine called also Siliqua Cornuta, becuse there was stamped upon it, the Moone increasing, by which marke it was knowne to be more than the common Ceratio or Siliqua, and was worth 7 d.ob.

The common Siliqua or Ceratio, was so called because it was worth

* A filique is the fruit of a Charob tree, which carrieth cods or huskes about 5 inches long, and as broad as a mans thumbe; fix Carobs or Carob Beane cods weighed a Drachma or

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worth four graines of gold (which is the weight of a * Silique) and according to Iustinian was worth 5d.

Follis of which there is often mention in the Historie of Enfe. certaine sweet bius, was a brasse, or (as Lampadius saith) an yron coine, so called because there was stampt upon it the similitude of a lease, and was worth farthing halfe and one third.

Of the Roman summes of Money.

Sestertium (being taken in the neuter Gender) conteyneth a thousand Sesterties, and is worth 7 li. 16 s. 3 d.

A pound weight containing twelve ounces of filuer, which is worth, 3 li.

A talent containing, 24 Sestertias, 6000 Denarios; being ofequal weight & worth to the Attick talent, & is worth 187 li.10s,

I will also adde that which is called Sportula, because it was certaine small summe of 400 Quadrans, which maketh to Seffer. ties, of which you may reade in Suctonius in the life of Domitian Nero, and contained 1 s.6 d.ob.q.

The Hebrew, Greeke, and Latine

Measures reduced to ours, whereby you may find the quantity of all fuch Measures as are mentioned in the Old and New Testament.



Vt now hauing briefly and as exactly as I can, described the Weights and valuations of the ancient moneyes that were currant amongst the Iewes, Græcians, and Romanes, as well those that are mentioned in the Scripture as others; It resteth (that I might make this a perfect Worke)

to fay fomething of the Measures mentioned in the Scriptures, which I wil (as neer as I can) reduce to the quantity of our Mea fures which are common amongst vs.

Of the Measures of Corne and Wine, &c.

Of the Corne Measures.

Gomer is a gallon or thereabout with vs. according to Bu-A dans in Mensuris Hebr.

An Attick Chenix (according to Budeus) is the third part of Gomer or halfe Modius, which measure is almost 3 pintes.

Stater was a measure containing 3 Gomers or Simodio's, and is with vs 3 gallons and 3 pints, or thereabouts.

An Epha was as much as a Medimnicus Atticus, which according wthe opinion of some Authors is a pottle lesse than our bushel: but if you follow the proportion of Budaus, it is ten Gomers or gallons or more, which is a bushell and a peck of our measure and

A Letech is the half of a Corus, and contained 5 Epha's or Attick Medimnos, i. according to Budaus, fix bushels and a pecke.

A Cor or Corus, following the same proportion, was two Letech, i. ten Attick Medimno's and of ours 12 bushels and halfe.

Of the measures of Wine and Beere.

TTEmina (according to Georgius Agricola & Budaus) was three quarters of a pinte.

A Sextarius was two Hemina's, i. a pint and a halfe.

A Lag was as much.

A Congius contained 6 Sextario's, i. 9 pintes.

A Hin was 12 Sextario's, i. 18 pintes.

A Cad was 60 Sextario's, i. 45 quarts. A Bath was 72 Sextario's, i. 54 quarts.

A Homer was a great measure containing 720 Sextario's, that

15, 67 gallons and a pottle.

An Vrna, according to Capulis, contained 24 Sextario's, that is, 36 pints, which make 4 gallons and a halfe of our common meafire. But according to Budans account it comes but to 3 gallons and a halfe or thereabouts.

An Amphora was a measure common amongst the Græcians, Of which there is mention made of three forts, the one contey-

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ning three gallons and a pottle; the other 8 Congio's or 48 Sex. tario's, which was 9 gallons of our measure. The third (as Pliny faith) was an Amphora, which contained 20 gallons and a halfe.

A Modius contained 16 Sextario's, which was 24 pints, that is 3 gallons or thereabouts; but according to the opinion of some Authors, it is but a pecke and some small matter more.

A Semimodius was 8 Sextario's, that is, a gallon and halfe.

A Gomer was somwhat lesse than a Semimodius, and contained but 7 Sextario's and a fifth part of a Sextario, which is some ten pintes and a quarter and three spoonfulls.

A Quartarius contained one Sextarios and a halfe, which was a quart and the fourth part of a pinte,

A spoonfull.

A Cyame is two spoonfuls.

A Mystrus and Cyame according to the opinion of some is a one.

A Cyathus containes 4 spoonfulis.

An Hemila Cottila is fix times so much, which is 24 spoone fulls, i, three quarters of a wine pinte.

The Measures mentioned in the old Testament. And sirst of GENESIS.

When Abraham received three strangemen, he went to his wife Sara into the tent and said, Make ready at once three measures of fine meale; which according to some Divines was 3 Zata's; according to others, 44 Sextarios, which was of our measure, at a pinte and a halfe the Sextarios, a bushel and a quart.

Exodus

(which was feuen Sextario's and a fift part, and is of our measure a gallon, a quart and foure spoonfulls) to keepe for your posseritie. In the same chapter Moses said. That a Gomer is the senth part of an Ephah, which as is said, is more than our bushel.

You shal present upon the altar two lambs of a yeare old euery Cap.29.v.49. day, the one lambe in the morning, and the other in the euening; and to each samb the tenth part of an Ephah (which was 5 quarts and halfe a pinte) of fine floure, with the fourth part of an Hin (i. Apintes) of wine for a drinke offering.

The anointing oile of the Sanctuarie was made of the best and Cap, 10-33; sweetest spices that could be gotten, viz. of Myrrh 500 sicles, or 250 ounces; of Calamus 125 ounces, of Cinnamon 125 ounces. All this was mixed with an Hin(i.18 pintes) of oile Olive, as the Apothecaries make it.

Leviticus.

HEe that finned, and was not able to bring two Turtle Doues Capis. First or two young Pigeons for an offering, he must bring the 10 part of an Ephah of fine floure, that is, ten pintes and a halfe.

When the Leper was visited and found to be infected with the Cap. 14.19. I leprofic, the eight day after he was to take two he lambs of a yere old, without blemish, and an Ewe lambe of a yeare old without blemish, and three tenth parts (that is, fifteene quarts a pinte and halfe) of fine floure for a meat Offering, mingled with a Log of oile, that is, a pinte and halfe.

Numbers.

O a meat offering was added the fourth part of an Hin (that Capits, with is,4 pints and a halfe) of oile, and as much wine, & the third part of an Hin (that is, fix pints) of oile, and as much wine. Some fay halfe a Hin, that is 9 pintes of oile, and as much wine.

Deuteronomie.

Here shall be two forts of Epha's within thine house, which Capas, w. 13.

Capas, w. 13.

14.15.

Iudges.

Hen Gideon would fet vpon the Midianites, he gaue each Cap.7.v.16, of his fouldiers a Trumpet in one hand, and an emptie Cc 2 pitcher

pitcher in the other hand with lamps therin. These pitchers were called Cados minores, as some say, that is, oile Cannes, like lampes wherein they vsed to set Teda nuptiales, or Bride candles. For such was the vsuall custome in those dayes, that the Bridegroome went to setch his Bride by night, and then certaine Virgins were appointed to beare the wedding candles or lampes before them. Whereof our Sauior Christ made that notable similitude of the 10 virgins that went to meet the Bridegroome, Matth. Chap. 25. This difference is herein to be noted, That in the lampes of the Virgins whereof our Sauior Christ speakes there was oile, but in Gideons pitchers there was no oile, but they were empty oile Pitchers with thicke bellies and narrow necks, wherein stood lamps or candles, such might be called Cados minores, beeing not very great, but so light that they might easily be carried in one hand without trouble: but what their measure was is not specified.

Ruth.

Cap.2.Y.31.

He yong widow Ruth the Moabite was not floathful nor yet idle, but went into Boas field, where the gleaned so many eares of corn after the reapers in one day, that at night when shee had threshed the ears it was an Ephah, i, a bushel or thereabouts; for there were two kinds of Ephahs, as you may reade before.

Cap.30

When Ruth laid her felfe downe at the feet of Boas, and defined him that he would marry her; in the morning when Boas rose hee gaue her six measures of Gomers, i. six gallons of Barly or thereabouts.

I Samuel.

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Hen Saul was gon out to fight against the Philistimes, and that Goliah daily mocked the host of the Israelites, the Lord stirred up Ishai the father of Dauid, to send him to his brethren to the Host, with an Ephah of particled corn, that is, a bushell or thereabouts.

Cap. 25. 7. 28.

David being vpon the way, meaning to destroy the soole Nabal, Abigale, Nabals Wife, a very wife and discreet woman, went to

meet him, and finding *Dauid* shee appeafed his wrath with a Prefent of 200 loves of bread, two bottles of wine, fine sheepe ready dressed, and fine Zata's (i. 15 Gomers, which is 15 gallons and somewhat more) of fine floure, 100 frailes of Raisins, and 100 of Figs; which, laded vpon an Asse, &c.

I Kings.

The molten Sea that stood vpon the 12 knops like Cucum-Cap.7.v.23.25. bers, was very curiously made of divers forts of mettals, being ten cubits wide and 5 high: it held 2000 baths, that is, 27000 gallons English, or thereabouts; every bath containing (according to the opinion of Iosephus) 72 Sextario's, that is, at a pinte and a halfe the Sextarius, 13 gallons and a halfe.

King Solomon caused 10 copper Kettles to be made, that stood Cap.7,v.; 8. vpon ten stoles, each kettle containing forty Baths, euery bath 72 Sextario's, which come to 13 gallons and a halfe English; so that

enery kettle contained 540 gallons.

When the Prophet Eliah defired the widow of Sarepta to fetch Capizwia, him a little water and a bit of bread, shee answered and said, As 1374: mue as the Lord your God liueth I have not any bread, but onely ahandfull of floure in a Cab (which was a kinde of Vessell that held eight quarts) and a little oile in a pitcher. And Eliah said

vnto her, Thy meale, &c.

The Prophet Eliah being vpon mount Carmel about the time of the euening facrifice, built vp an altar in the fight of the whole congregation of the people of Ifrael, and laid wood vpon it, and vpon the wood an Oxe cut in pieces for a facrifice, and caused a ditch to be digged round about it, of such widenesse and depth, as might containe two Zata's, that is six Gomers and something more; about six gallons and a halfe of our measure. And there was 12 Cads (that is 175 gallons) of water cast on the sacrifice; but when Eliah called vpon the name of the Lord, sire fell from heaven and deuoured the facrifice, dried vp the water, and burned the wood and stones of the altar to dust.

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II Kings.

Cap. 6,25.

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II Kings.

7 Hen Benhadad King of Syria belieged Samaria, there was such a famine and dearth in the Citie, that they sold an Affes head for 80 filuerlings (that is, common ficles, which is 5li. English:) but some Texts reade it, 8 siluerlings, that is, 10 s. And the fourth part of a Cab, (that is, a pinte and halfe of Pigeons doung) was fold for fine pieces of filuer, that is, for 6 s. 2 d.

When the Syrians were striken by the Lord and fled from the fiege of Samaria, corne became so cheape (according to the prophefie of Elisha) that vnder the gates of Samaria one Zata(which contained 24 Sextarios, that is, halfe a strike and a pottle of fine floure) was fold for 15 d. and two Zata's of Barley was fold for

15 d.

II Chronicles.

Colomon gaue to the Carpenters, &c. that cut and hewed downe Swood in Mount Libanus, for the building of the Temple, 20000 Corus of Wheate, and 20000 of Barley; euery Corus containing ten Medimnos Atticos, which according to Budens accompt, came to 12 Bushels and a halfe English, and in the whole to 150000 Bushels. But if you accompt it according to the opinion of some of our English Authors, it comes but to nine Bushels and seuen gallons and a pottle the Medimna, and in the whole to 198750 Bushels. And besides, Solomon gaue them 20000 Bathes of Wine and as much oyle, every Bath containing 13 gallons and a pottle, which amounted to in the whole, 8437 Barrels and a halfe.

The Measures mentioned in the New Testament.

And first of Matthew.

Cap.12.33.

He kingdome of God is like vnto piece of Leauen, which a woman taketh and putteth into three Measures or Zata's of meale, which make a Bushel.

Luke

Of the Measures of Corne and Wine &c.

THen the vniust Steward called his masters debtors to ac- Capato, v.g. V count, the first was debtor 100 Bathes of Oyle, that is 51 barrells and 18 gallons; and he bid him write downe halfe, that is,25 barrels and a halfe. The second debtor ought 100 Corus of wheat, which at 9 bushels and 7 gallons the Corus, comes to 988 bushels, or thereabouts; and the vniust Steward willed him to set down 80 Corus, that is 790 bushels and one gallon and a halfe.

So the vniust Steward deceived his master of 25 Barrels and a halfe of Oyle, and of 198 bushels and one gallon of Wheate, and gane it to his masters creditors.

Iohn.

T the marriage at Cana in Galile our Sauior Christ chan- Capa, v. I. I. S. A ged the 6 pitchers of water intowine, every pitcher containing 2 or 3 Cads, every Cad holding 60 Sextario's, that is, 11. gallons and a quart, or thereabouts. Some say, that the first three pitchers held each three Cads or Metreta's, which if it should be fo, every of them should hold 33 gallons and 3 quarts: then say the other three held each 2 Metreta's a piece, that is, 22 gallons and a pottle a piece; then the whole that our Sauior Christ gave vnto the Bride and Bridegroome, amounted to 168 gallons and 3 quarts or thereabouts.

Revel. 6.6.

Heard avoyce faying, A Chenix (that is, 3 pints of wheat) for La Denarius (that is, 7 d.ob.) There being 85 times fo much, and a quart ouer, in a bushell, it would amount vnto 51 s.8 d. the Bushell, or thereabouts, which would be a great dearth.

Here is to be observed, that the Gracians in times past were very strict in their house keeping, & for that cause confined their servants to certain measure; that is, to a Chenix, which was three pintes of meat; and to a Sextarius, which was a pinte and a halfe of Wine for every day: and by this meanes the master could readily tell what his feruants meate and drinke would cost him

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in a yeare, that is 365 Chenix; which in our measure at 3 pintes the Chenix, comes to 8 bushels 2 pecks and a pint; & 365 pints of wine, that is, 45 gallons a portle and a pinte: fo much did euerie feruant eat and drinke in a yeare. But God fed the Israelites 40 yeares in the wildernesse with a greater quantitie; for he gaue each man daily an Omer (that is, 3 Chenixes) of Manna, i.a Gallon and something more.

Cicero in his 8 oration for Verres writes, that a Modius of wheat (which was a peck wanting a pint) was commonly fold in Sicilia for 3 Sestertio's, about 6d. sterling, and so much had every ser-

uant in Grecia dayly, and a pinte of wine to drinke.

These customes, how soeuer in these countries they might be tolerable, in regard they lived in a hot climat; yet to vs, where it is much colder, our bodies require a greater quantity for nourishment: neverthelesse a mean and spare diet is both more healthful and profitable for the body, than excesse; because the stomacke being surcharged, it canot duly concoct that which it receiveth, whereby the body is filled with many crudities and noisome diseases.

And thus haue I as exactly as I can, reduced the Hebrew, Greek and Latine measures to ours: but if there be any who in casting up these quantities of measures mentioned in the Scripture shall chance to finde any error, or would reduce them to a more neere estimation (because I haue in this treatise principally followed Budeus) to our measures, he is then to understand that there is an other course to be taken, namely by weight; four ordinary spoonfuls of water weigh an ounce, 12 ounces of Troy weight make a pound, eight pounds of Troy weight make a pound, eight pounds of Troy weight make a barrell, &c. The same course may be taken in the account of corn measures, there going 8 gallons after the same proportion to a bushell. So that what I haue set down may be rectified by your own industry, and made more capable to your understanding.

Exam-

Examples collected out of prophane Histories, by which you may perceive the profit that may arise by the due the of this Treatise, to all such as reade the Grecian and Roman Histories.

In the time of Claudus Emperour of Rome there was so great a famine (according to the prophecie of Agabus, Acts 1) that a Modins, that is a pecke wanting a pinte of wheat, was sold at sixe Drachma's, which at 7 d. ob. the Drachma comes to 3 s.9 d. English. This great famin is specified by Suetonius and Dion, where they say, that but a little before the same measure of Wheat was worth but 4 Sestertia's, which was 7 d. ob. English.

of Pythius King of Lydia. Herodot.7.

Prehims King of Lydia, who entertained that mighty Emperour Xerxes and all his Army, would have lent him 3 millions of talents of filuer towards the charge of his war; which according to the Attick talent (that is, 187 li. 10 s. the talent,) amounts to 562 millions five hundred pounds. And further hee would adde to it four millions of Daricons, which at 15 s. the Daricon commeth to three millions of pounds. But Xerxes being greatly pleafed with this hospitalitie and liberality, that he might make euidenthis noble disposition resused his offer, and gave him by way of gratuitie 7000 Darico's, which was in our mony 5250 li.

of Creefus the mighty King of Lydia.

This King Crafus fent an Embassadour to Delphos, to aske the Idol of Apollo if he should prosper in the wars he tooke

in hand against Cyrus King of Persia; withall sending divers rich Presents, and among st the rest, a Lion of gold most cunningly wrought, weighing 100 Talents, euery Talent weighing 4500 li. which in the whole amounted to 450000 li. Moreouer, two cups, whereof one was fine gold cunningly wrought, weighing 8 Talents and a halfe, which at 4500 li. the Talent, commeth to 36000 li. the other cup was made by that noble workman Theo. dorus Sanius of pure filuer, very curioufly & artificially wrought containing fortie gallons; but of what valuation it was, is not fet downe. For this great and rich present, King Crassus received of the Diuell a double and deceitfull answer, wherby he was not only prouoked to make warre against Cyrus, but by that meanes lost his kingdome; and being taken prisoner, he was set upon a pile of wood to be burnt: but crying with a loud voice, O Solon, Solon, (thereby shewing, that wife Solon had foretold him, That no man is to be acounted happy before his end.) King Cyrus granted him his life. This recompence did the Diuell returne to Crasus for so great a Present. Such and many other the like histories by this booke may be understood.

The first rule for Drachma's.

If you have any number of Drachma's, divide them by 8, and the production will be English Crownes, according to Buden 100 Drachma's make a Mina, which is about 12 Crownes, or 3 li. sterling.

The second rule of Mina's.

The Mina multiplied by 12, the production is Crownessfor twelve Crownes English is a Roman Mina, or a Mina of the Temple; 125 Mina's makes a Talent: so that multiplie 125 by 12, and the production will be 1500 crownes, which maketha Talent.

The third rule of Talents.

The Talent multiplied by 12, the production is crownes. For 125 Mina's being multiplied by 12 makes 1500 crownes English which is a Talent; and 3000 crowns is two Talents, &c. by which meanes you may reduce all Drachma's and other lesse weights mentioned in the Scriptures to Mina's, and Talents; and these againe into crownes. But concerning the distinction of Talents, you may reade before. Notwithstanding observe this, That if you chance to reade of any Talent, Mina, or Sicle in the Scripture, whereto there is not an addition of the Kings Talent, or, the Talent of the Temple (as I haue said) you may then presume that it is the common Talent. And this shall suffice for the Weights, Measures, and Monies mentioned in the Scriptures.

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A Cata'ogue of the principall Authors out of whom this foregoing Treatife of Weights and Measures, &c. was gathered.

Mbrosius Calapinus. Aulus Gelliu. Caffarus Pencerus. Atheneus. Flavius Ioseph. Galenas. Gulihelmus Budaus. Hefychius. Saint Ierome. Toachim Camerarius. Iohannes Avenarius. Iohannes Fosterus. Iulius Pollux. Martin Luther. Mathew Hostius. Paulus Eberus. Philip Melancthon. Priscian Grammaticus. Sebastian Munster. Septuaginta Interpretes. Suidas. Volutius Metianus.

The due proportion of Weights and Measures are also found in Myropolis.

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Itinerarium Novi Testamenti.

Wherein is contained the Trauels of the Virgin MARY, and I OSEPH; also of the Wisemen of the East, of our Sauiour Iesus Christ, and of his Apostles.



Vt fince I haue briefly related the Trauels of the antient Patriarchs, Iudges, Kings and Prophets, (which things I know canot be unprofitable unto fuch as are iuditious) mentioned in the old Teflament; that I might make a perfectend of what I haue begun, I will proceed and thew unto you

the trauels of all the holy men and women mentioned in the new Testament: where by due observation of this discourse you may well understand, that as all the nations of the world were deriued from one man, that is, Adam, so all the Righteous and such as are who faued are deriued from one man, that is, Christ Iesus. For asby the first Adam sin came into the world, and by sin, death and damnation; foby the second Adam that sinne is pardoned, and man made partaker of eternall happinesse. And that these things might be the more apparant vnto thee, I have described the Townes, Cities, and places mentioned in their feuerall Trauels; both what they were in former times, and what they are at this present: That so by the due consideration of both, thou mights observe the mutation and change of estates; since through the revolution of times, those things which seeme most permanent, haue within the compasse of a few yeares beene subuerted, and the ruines of those Cities which have been greatest, left to make enident lamentable examples of vast and vnheard of destructions, from whence such as haue any small knowledg of the Spirit. may draw fuch comfortable refolutions, that neither pouerty can fubuert them, nor riches and honor exalt them; but according to S. lames, ca. I. They may possesse themselves in peace; fince neither the prosperitie of the world is permanent, nor the aduersitie thereof intolerable. The knowledge of both which, how soeuer to some it may feeme ridiculous, yet to fuch as are at all touched with the fence of worldly affaires, it cannot chuse but take a deep impresfion, and draw them thence to the knowledge of Christ Iesus and of his doctrine. To which end and for which purpose I have principally endeauored to publish this Treatise, that so comparing the estate of man in this present world with the estate of grace in the world to come, they might perceive the impotencie of the one, and the permanencie of the other, and from both draw immoueable Axiomes; That there can be no faluation where there is no humilitie, nor no prosperity where there is not a knowledge of Christ Iesus in his humanitie and thence gather, That the afflictions of this world, to which hee is most subject through the whole course of his life, is the ready means to honor and immortal glory. But that these things may the better appeare vntothee, I will endeauor to lay before thee the beginning, and (so farreas the holy Scripture leads mee) the ending of our Saujour. From whence thou may stdraw such comfortable resolutions, that in what estate soeuer thou art, whether in prosperitie or adversitie, thou may it therewith rest content, &c.

Of Zacharias the father of Iohn Baptist.

Acharias or Zachariahu fignifies Gods remembrance. This man was the father of John the Baptist, being a Priest of the Tribe of Aaron, and dwelling at a Towne called Abia, of which you may reade I Chr.24. There were three famous men of this name, as Basilius saith. One that was a Prophet of the Lord, and lived 520 yeares before the birth of Christ, Zachar.1. And another that was the sonne of Iehoiada the high-Priest, who

at the command of that ingrateful King low, was stoned to death in the vpper Court of the Temple, 2 Chr. 24. And a third which was this Zacharias the father of John Baptist, and son of Barachias, that is, The Blessed: who according to the opinion of Basil, was flain for no other cause but for saying that Christ was born of the Virgin Mary. This man had to wife Elizabeth, of the posteritie of the high-Priest Aaron, and by her had a son called toba, so named of the Lord, who was afterward called Iohn the Baptift. Elizabeth fignifies The Rest of God, being derived of Eliand Scabbath, that is. The Rest and Sabbath of the Lord. The inhabitants of the Holy land take vpon them even to this day to thew the house where Zacharias & Elizabeth dwelt, in a town that standeth on the right hand of the way as you go from Emmaus to Ierusalem. But saint Luke, ca. 1. faith, That Zacharias dwelt not in a town or field, but in the city of Iudah, which was scituated in the mountain of Iudah. Risnerus and Iohannes Hedenus write, That Zacharias dwelt in Ierufalem, in that part of the city scituated voon mount Bezetha, as in the first booke of the description of Ierusalem hath bin declared. And this seemeth to be verified out of Nehemia, cap. 3. Yet there are some of opinion that hee dwelt at Hebron, because that was the chiefe city of the tribe of Iuda, and a town of the Priefts.

The Trauels of the Virgin Mary.

Ary, if it be derived of Marah, fignifieth such a person as is oppressed with carefulnesse and griese, one that is layd open to all miserie and calamity, press with continual vexation and mourning. She was born vpon the 8 day of September 4 yeares before the birth of Christ; and in the sisteenth of her age brought forth her only begotten son, according to S. Hierome and others. Her sathers name was Eliakim, of the house of Daniel.

Vpon the fine and twentieth day of March in the same yeare that

that our Sauior Christ was born, Mary being then 14 yeares old, and the Angel Gabriel declared vnto her the embassic of the Conception of our Lord Iesus Christ. A little after, about the beginning of April, an. M. 3967, shewent from Nazareth in great haste ouer the hils to lerusalem, 64 miles, to the house of Zacharias, and there saluted her cousin Elizabeth, Luk. 1.

From thence she returned back again to Nazareth, which was

64 miles.

And when the command came out from Augustus, that all the world should be taxed, then Ioseph and Mary went from Nazareth to Bethlehem. 72 miles: and there the time of Maries deleuerance drew neere, and lo, she bare the Son of the liuing God, our Lord and Sauior Christ, Luke 2.

From Bethlehem Ioseph and Mary brought the childe Iesusto Iesusalem, and presented him in the Temple, which was 6 miles,

Luke 2.

And when they had accomplished all things according to the Law, they returned backe again to Nazareth a towne in Galile, 64 miles.

From Nazareth they went backe again to Bethlem, 72 miles. Thither the Wife men comming out of the East brought the

childe Iesus Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh, Mat. 2.

From Bethlehem (the fame night that Herod caused all theinfants of two yeares old and vnder to be slain) Ioseph and Mary sled with the childe Iesus to Hermopolis a city in Egypt, which was 296 miles, Mat. 2. Zozom. lib. 6.

From thence they returned back again with the child Iesus to Nazareth, 3 68 miles: for they were greatly as fraid lest Archilaus (who succeeded his father Herod in the gouerment of the Iews)

would feeke the childes life, Mat. 2.

From Nazareth Tofeph and Mary came euery yere to Ierusalem, which was 64 miles, to the feast of the Passeouer, and so many miles backe againe; which for ten yeares continuance came to 1280 miles.

When Christ was twelve yeares of age, and at the beginning

of the thirteenth, he went with his parents from Nazareth to the feast of the Passeouer, which was 64 miles, Luke 2.

And when the daies of the feast of the Passeouer were accomplished, they returned home againe. But the childe Iesus staied at lerusalem, and his parents knew it not, for they thought he had been among the company. Wherefore, when they had travelled a dayes journey (that is, twentie miles) they missed their some.

After, they fearcht through the companie, but could not finde him: wherefore they returned backe to Ierusalem being 20 miles where on the third day after they found him in the Temple, sitting among the Doctors, and disputing with them. So the next three daies he returned back again with his parents to Nazereth, which was 64 miles, and was obedient to them, Luke 2.

After, Islaph and Mary went every yeare during the life of Islaph, up to Ierusalem to the Passeover, and without all doubt took lesus along with them. Thus they continued for the space of three yeares, about which time Islaph died, Christ beeing then 16 yeares of age, which three yeares travell of Nazareth to Ierusalem and backe againe, commeth to 384 miles.

From that time forward he continued with his mother, till he was 31 yeares of age, which was the first yeare of his ministerie. Marie his mother being then 45 yeares old, was inuited to a marnage in Cana, a city of Galile, which stood eight miles from Ga-

lle towards the North-west, John 2. Here our Sauiour Christ wought his first miracle, by changing water into VV ine.

From Cana in Galile the went with our Sauiour to Capernaum, a city of Galile, a little before the feast of the Paschal Lamb, which was 20 miles.

From Capernaum she returned back to Nazareth, which was accounted 12 miles.

In the 32 yeare of the age of our Sauiour Christ, which was the second of his ministerie, Mary went from Nazareth backe againe to Capernaum, where our Sauiour Christ cast forth a diuell, Matt. 12. Matke 3, which was 12 miles.

From thence shee returned backe againe to Nazareth, which
was 12 miles: for in this Towne shee dwelt, whiles Iesus traDd uelled

uelled from place to place teaching and preaching the word of God, Marke 6.

And although thee oftentimes went from Nazareth with him to many places, continuing still in his company, yet then specially, when he was to sustaine the wrath of God, and punishment for the finne of man, which was in the 34 yeare of his age. In which yeare shee would not for sake him till his death: for shee went from Galile to Ierusalem with him, which was 64 miles, a great journey for one of herage (being then 48 yearesold.) And when our Sauiour was crucified, thee stood close by the crosse with a heavie and penfiue countenance, bewailing the death of her some. Then was the prophecie of old Simeen accomplished. And a fword shall paffe through thy foule. But after, by his glorious refurrection and ascension, shee was revived and comforted. From the passion of Christ to the death of the blessed virgin Marie, was 12 yeares: All which time shee lived with Iohn the Evangelist in Ierusalem, and then being 59 yeares of age dyed, and was buried (according to the opinion of Nicephorus and others) in the garden called Gethsamene. So all her Trauels were 3506 miles.

Now followes the description of the townes and places to which she trauelled.

of Nazareth.

His was a towne almost of no estimation, scituated in a certaine mountaine in Galile the lower, sixtie and soure miles and something more from Ierusalem towards the North, in the tribe of Zebulon. In this Towne our Sauiour Iesus Christ was brought vp, Luke 1.2. Some say that it was nineteene or twenty miles from Ierusalem, but they mistake themselues; yet I will not dispute thereof, but follow myauthors, Iacobus Ziglerus, and Tilmanus Stella. There is not any mention made of it, that is exstant in the old Testament. It hath a two fold derivation, the one by Zain, and the other by Zade. If it bee written by Zaien, it may have a twofold signification, since the exposition of this name doth depend vpon the Verbe Nazar, which signifies

nifies, to confecrate and keepe; from hence Nezar, a garland of foure, or a crowne fet with pretious stones, &c. such as Kings and high Priests are accustomed to weare. Also from the same word Nazar, is deriued Nazir; & thence Nazaræus, which is as much to lay, he is separated from the vse of wine; and suffering his haire to bee vicut, as being dedicated to the Lord. Therefore our Sauiour Christ is justly called a NaZarite, Luke 2. For Næzer first signifies. aholy man, who hath made a holy vow vnto the Lord: Secondly, it doth denote a crowne or wreathe of synceritie, Exod. 29.39. Thirdly, a holy ointment wherewith Kings and Priests were annointed Leuit. 27, and fourthly, this word Nezar, fignifies a Princely crowne. 2 Sam. 1. 2 Kings 11. Pfal. 89.132. So that Nazareth being deriued of Nazar and Nazir, may fignific both a crowne, and a holy cit tie Judg. 13, but if Nazareth be written by Zade, it fignifies a flourishing plant or graffe, according to that of Isay cap. 11. But there ball come a rod forth of the stocke of Ishai, and a graffe shall grow out of his root, and the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him. The inhabitants of this Towne at this day shew certaine monuments and reliques of what had happened in preceding ages : as, two Churches, one built there where the Angell Gabriel faluted the bleffed Virgin, and shee conceived by the spirit: In which there stands three altars hewen out of a rock: and the other built (as they fay) where the house of Isleph and Marie stood, because there our Saulour Christ was brought vp. Also they shew a well where the childe Iesus drew water and ministred to his mother. They also shew the vast ruines of the sinagogue where our Sauiour Christ expounded the 61 chapter of Ifay; for which cause they would haue throwne him headlong downe the hill, Luke 4. And many other things, of which you may reade in Borchardus the Monke. In Saint Ieroms time some 40 yeares before Christ, Nazareth was asmall towne called Nazarah.

Of the mountaines by which Mary passed when she went to visit her sosen Elizabeth.

BEtweene Narareth and Ierusalem, there standeth many high hils, as Mount Gilboa, whereon King Saul killed himselse; Mount Grisim, and Hebal, vpon which hills the blessings and Dd 2 cursings

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curfings were pronounced, Deut, 27, and mount Ephraim, vpon which Ehud kild Eglon king of the Moabites, Iudg. 13. Ouer this mountaine, being very great and steepe, Mary travelled when she went to visit her cosen Elizabeth.

of Bethlehem.

Here were two cities called by this name, the one Bethlem I Iuda; the other Bethlem Euphrata where our fauior Christ was borne, and fignifies, fruitfull, or the house of Bread: It stood vpon a hil some 6 miles from Ierusalem towards the South. The inhabitants take voon them to shew the place where our faulour Christ was borne, which stood vpon the East side of the Citie, close by the wall thereof; where as Eusebius sayth, Hellen the Mother of Constantine the Great, caused to bee built a faire and stately Church, three hundred and twentie yeares after the natiuitie of Christ. This Church was dedicated to Saint Marie, and remaineth to this day, being had in great honour both amongst the Christians, and the Turkes and Sarazins. This Church is such a stately building, that it is thought to exceede all the Churches of Christendome, for beautie and curious workemanship: Itis two hundred twentie and eight foot long, and eightie seuen foot wide, beeing built all of Marble of divers colours, and couered with lead: There are in it fourerowes of Marble pillars, wonderfull to looke vpon, not onely in regard of their number, but of their greatnesse, for there is fiftie pillars in every row. The body of this church, the pillars from the bottom to the top, the walls, and everie part of it, is beautified with lively pictures, adorned with divers colours, filuer, gold, and curious workemanthip, fo as it is wonderfull to behold. The payement of it is of marble; polished, and of divers colors, fo cunningly fet in workes, and with fuch variety, that it is very delightful to fuch as look on it. There is painted on the pillars and walls, almost all the stories of the Old Testament, till the birth of our Lord and Saujour Iclus Christ, with such excellent cunning, and so lively, that it is to bee admired. In the Quire of this Church there is found two Altars, one close by the Chappell of Saint Katherine, at the East end thereof; not far distant from which they shew the place where where our Saujour was circumcifed; and in the middle of the Quire there standeth another Altar, where they say the wise men left their Dromedaries, and prepared their gifts to present vnto our Saujour, when they worshipped him. Vpon the South side of this quire towards the East, they descend by ten stone steps into the Chappell of the Nativitie of Chrift, richly beautified and curioufly wrought, paued with polished Narble. This Chappell is not very great, but wonderfull faire and fumptuous. When the Holy land was ouerrun by the Gentiles, this (as many other places were in that countrey) was all polluted with filth and dirt, that they had much adoe to make it cleane a great while after. Vpon the place where they faid our Lady the bleffed Virgin Mary, brought forth our Saniour into the world, there is placed a Table of white Marble, after the maner of an Altar: about some foure foot from this they shew the place where the Manger flood, a part of it yet remaining, cut out of a rocke, not of Marble but of other stone, as many other Mangers are in that countrey. Close by that there is an Altar, where they fay the wife-men presented their gifts to our Sauiour Christ, and worshipped him. At the entrance into the Church there standeth a goodly building, which in times past seemed to have been some Archbishops See, but now is called Saint Maries Church. Vpon the North side they descended by certaine stepps into the Chappell of Saint Ie-10m, who lay a long time buried there, till his bones were remoued thence to Saint Maries in Rome.

About a mile from Bethlehem Southward, stood the Tower of Eder, being a watch tower of the Bethlehemites, and so called because there resorted thither many flockes of sheepe: for Ander signifieth A Heard. Round about this Tower were faire and stuitfull pastures, to which many sheepheards resorted to feed their flockes; to some of which sheepheards the Angels told the glad tidings of the birth of our Sauiour, and that he was laid in a Manger at Bethlehem. For which cause, in after times there was a Church built iust in the place where the Tower stood; and in Saint Ieroms time called by the name of Angelos ad Pastores: the same Luther affirmeth, and that it is yet standing. Iacob some-

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time dwelt in that place, and buried his wife Rachel thereabours? The monument that hee fet voon her graue remaineth to this day, which was twelve stones pitcht an end, standing about a quarter of a mile from this place, vpon the right hand as they goe to Ierusalem: of which grave, all the countrey thereabouts is called by the name of Rachel.

Of the way betweene Indea and Agypt.

DEtweene Ægypt and Iudæa lieth Arabia Petræa: a land for the most part barren and unfruitfull, full of sands, rockes, and mountaines, destitute of water, and subject to many dangers: being in the Summer folftice fcorched with extremity of heate, the Sun being then perpendiculer over them (according to Munfter) in the day time; and in the night, troubled with extreame windes, which blowing the fand with great violence, it casteth it vpon great heapes and mountaines, by which dust, both beasts and sometime men are suffocated and slaine.

Moreouer there dwell in this Defart, a rude and dangerous people, called Saracens; who take their beginning from Ishmael, and are therefore also called Ishmaelites, being given to crueltie and maliciousnesse. They get their living for the most part, by theft and violence: and as Ishmael was an excellent Archer, so they also are very cunning in shooting and hunting, vsing to this day their ancient euill custome of robbing and spoiling all that passe that way; infomuch as Merchants are constrained to goe in great companies, lest they should be indangered by them, and by reason of the windes and sands are constrained to guide their journey by the compasse, as men doe that saile upon the sea. Through this wildernesse did loseph and Marie passe, when they went with the childe lefus out of Iudaa into Ægypt; where they were in danger of theeues, subject to be smothered by the fands, constrained to trauell ouer high rockes and mountaines, and to rest in searc because of Lyons, Beares, and other beasts which greatly abound in that place. Besides, divers other difcommodities were incident vnto them as want of meate, drinke, and other necessaries, there being little water to be found there, infomuch as had not the Lord by an expresse command charged him in a dreame to goe downe into Ægypt, Ioseph durst hardly have ventured upon so difficult and dangerous a journey. But the Lord fo mercifully prouided for him, that he both went and returned fafe. Thus may we fee to what dangers these good peoplewere exposed, and what miseries they sustained from the beginning because of their some Christ Jesus.

The trauels of the Virgin Marie.

of Hermopilis.

Ermopilis was called the Towne of Mercurie, distant from I Ierusalem 304 miles towards the Southwest: it was one of the chiefe cities in Ægypt, as Appianes writeth. Nicephorus and ZoZemenus affirme, lib.5.cap.22. that Ioseph and Mary came and liued in this Towne, where they continued all the daies of Herod that cruel King. But Ziglerius faith, that they lived in the land of Gosen, where the Patriarch Iacob and his posteritie lived: which agreeth well with the words of S. Matthew cap. 2. and Hosea II. Out of Egypt have I called my sonne. This land of Gosen lay 200 miles from Ierusalem towards the Southwest. The inhabitants of Alcaire in Ægypt take vpon them to shew the place where Ioseph and Mary dwelt when they went downe into that countrey; but how true it is I cannot tell because there is no Author for it.

of Canah in Galile,

This was a city in Galile distant from Ierusalem 68 miles to I wards the North; of which you may reade more in the trauels of our Sauiour Christ.

of Capernaum.

His towne stood vpon the sea of Galile, 68 miles from Ieru-I salem toward the North; of which you may reade more after.

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The trauels of the Wise-men out of the East, which came to Bethlehem to see IESVS.

He Magi were certaine wise men of Persia, so called from Meditation, being derived of Hagab, that is, He hath meditated; and taken in the third conjugation, it fignifies, To finde or fearch out a thing: they being fuch as gaue themselues to the knowledge of hard things, and to finde out the secrets and misteries of nature. But according to Various, they were not only Philosophers, but Priests also. Aud Plato vpon Alcibiades, saith, Magia est deorum obsernant :a sine cultus dininus; that is, Magicke prescribeth the due observance and divine worship of the gods. Strabo faith, Geogra, lib. 6. That the Magi were such among the Persians, as thosewhom the Indians call Gimnosophists and Academians; the Babylonians, Chaldwans; and the Hebrewes, Prophets, or Priests, which taught the people divine knowledge. And when the ten Tribes were carried into captivitie by Salmanasser Emperour of the Affirians (into Affiria, Media, and Persia) there is no question but they tooke with them into the East, the holy bookes and volumes of the Law and of the Prophets, whereby without doubt many of the people and Philosophers of the East came to have a taste of the true knowledge and worship of God. Also the Prophet Daniel was brought vp in all the arts of the Chald ans; whose writings and prophecies were not only written and published amongst the Babylonians, but also had in great account and estimation amongst the Magi: so that they diligently perusing those books, came not only to the knowledge of God, but also without doubt to the knowledge of our Sauiour Iesus Christ, whom they called The Starre of Iacob; from whence may be concluded, That the Wife-men that came to fee our Sauiour Christ, were rather of Susa in Persia, than of Zaba in Æthyopia.

Wherefore these wise men came from the Academy of Susa

in Persia to Ierusalem, which was 920 miles; saying, Where is he that u burne King of the Iewes, for we have seen his Starre in the East, and are come to worship him. This hapned in the moneth of Ianuarie, in the second yeare after the birth of our Sautour; for Herod in the seuentieth yeare of his age caused all the male children of the Bethlemites of two yeares old and vnder (according to the time that he was told of the Wise-men) to be put to the sword.

From Ierusalem they went to Bethlehem, which was 6 miles, where vpon the fixt of Ianuary they offered their Presents which they brought out of Persia, to our Sauior, viz. Gold, as to a King; Frankincense, as to a Priest; and Myrthe, as to a mortall man, Mat. 2. So let vs offer vnto Christ our Sauior, the Gold of faith and heavenly doctrine; the Frankincense of earnest prayers, and the myrthe of patience in the midst of calamitie.

Afterward, the Wise-men (as they had bin warned in a dream) returned another way to Susa in Persia, which was 920 miles. So their trauels were 1846 miles.

Of Susa you may reade before in the trauels of the Old Testament.

Of the Starre that appeared to the Wise-men in the East.

Ince this Starre appeared in the lower region of the aire (as it is apparant it did) from thence it may be concluded. That it neither was any of the fixed starres, planet, or a Comet, because they commonly are seene in the vpper region of the aire; but rather, according to the opinion of some, it was an Angell of God appearing in the forme of a bright shining Starre, to direct the Wise men in their way as they went to the town of Bethlem; and so by little and little descending from the sublimitie of the aire, pointed out vnto them the very house where they might sind Mary the mother of our Lord, and the childe Issus. Almost after the same manner as the Angell of the Lord in the time of Moses appeared to the children of Israel; that is, in the day like a cloudy pillar, and in the night like a starre without doubt was no naturall apparition, which hapned in the inferiour region

of the aire, fuddenly vanishing away; but as I have said, an Angel of the Lord representing the forme of a Starre. Or elfe as Chrys. flome faith, a certaine miraculous new Starre, which according to the opinion of Augustine, was governed by an Angel of the Lord. and for the greatnes of the body, and variety of the aspects, was not seene first in the land of Iud a but in Persia, a countrie in the East, where the Magi dwelt, and accompanied them thence into Iudea. And although for a thort space it left them in the journie. yet when they came in the way to Bethlem, it appeared to them againe, Mat. 2. As Nicephorus and Chrysostome observe, the State appeared upon the day of the conception of Christ, being the 25 day of March; about which time the Archangell Gabriel spoke with the Virgin Marie, Luke 1. And was scene for a whole yeare and 41 weeks, that is, till the 6 of Ianuary, in the beginning of the fecond yeare after the nativitie of Christ. It wanted II weeks of two yeares; and therefore Herod caused all the male children of the Bethlehemites of two yeares old and vnder, to be flaine, according to the time declared vnto him by the wise men. Mat.2. Wherfore this new Starre did first foreshew the birth of Christ, that bright shining Starre and eternall light of glory, according to the prophecie of Billa, Num. 22. Secondly, the light of Gods Word & the Gospel, 2 Pet. 1. Thirdly, godly & faithful ministers and teachers, who by their doctrine and godly life and converfation, should fet before their auditors and such as obserue their actions, the way to Christ and eternall happinesse, Dan. vlt.

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The Travels of Iohn Baptist.

TN the moneth of Thisri, which answereth to our September, Annomundi, 2966, the Feast of the Tabernacles being then celebrated, the Archangell Gabriel told Zacharias the Priest, of the conception of Iohn the Baptist, which should be the voyce of a crier in the wildernesse. And a little after, that is, about the Autumnall Æquinoctiall, John the Baptist was conceived fix moneths. before our Sauiour. The next yeare after, about the moneth of

July, he was borne. Six moneths after that, our Saujour Chrise was borne. In which yeare Zacharias che father of John Baptist. was slaine in the vpper court betweene the Altar and the Temple, for faying, that our Sauiour Christ was borne, and, That Marichis mother was a Virgin, Matt. 23. Wherefore Elizabeth the wife of Zacharias, fearing the cruelty of Herod and of the Phazises, about that time when the young infants of the Bethlehemites were flaine, shee fled from Ierusalem to Apumim, as Nicephorus faith, which was scituated in the wildernesse betweene Iericho and Ierusalem, where she privatly brought up her sonne, which was 22 miles.

The Trauels of Iohn Baptist.

In the 29 yeare of the nativitie of Christ, and vpon the 24 day of Iune, John the Baptist being then 30 yeares of age, by the commandement of the Lord tooke voon him the ministerie: for it was not lawfull for any to enter into that function before they were thirtie yeares of age, Numb.4. Wherefore voon the eight and twentieth day of September, it being then the feast of the Tabernacles, and about the middle of the last weeke spoken of by Daniel, Hee went from Adumim to Bethabara, where hee tooke voon him the Ministerie of the New Testament: Hannas the chiefe Priest being then newly entred into that office, Luke 2. (which was about foure miles) and within a short time after, that is, youn the fewenth day of October, beeing then the feast of Expiation, our Lord and Sauiour Iesus Christ was baptised, when hee was fully thirtie yeares of age, Luke 3. Matthew 3. Iohn I.

In the yeare following, which was the one and thirtieth yeare of the Natiuitie of Christ, a little before the feast of Easter, the Synedrion of lerufalem fent messengers vnto Iohn, hee then remaining at Bethabara, to know whether hee was the Christ, or Elias, or some other Prophet, Ishn the first. Vpon the eighteenth day of September, the same yeare Iohn entred vpon the second yeare of his ministerie: About which time Caiphas began to enter vpon the office of the high Priest, and the Sadduces and Pharifes to persecute Iohn Baptist. Wherefore he departed from Bethabara, and went to Ænon, a Citie in Galile, which was 24 miles.

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After that Iohn had preached publikely and freely, by the space of a whole yeare and two moneths, about the moneth of December, and the end of the first yeare of the Ministrie of our Saujour, by the commandement of Herod, hee was taken and led prisoner from Ænon to the Tower of Macheruntes, which was 28 miles; where he remained untill his death. So all his Trauels were 88 miles.

Of the townes and places to which he travelled.

Of Adumim.

Dumim, or Adummim (as it is in Ioshua, ca. 15.) was a Tower Atwelue miles from Ierusalem towards the East, scituated in the wildernesse that is between e Ierusalem and Iericho; so called because of the multitude of robberies and murthers that were done in that place: for Dam, fignifieth Blood. Here the poore man that Christ mentioned, Luk. 10. fell amongst theeues; and here Eliah continued when he was led by the Rauens, and dranke the water of the river Cherith, I King. 17. which was a notable type of Iohn the Baptist, who lived in a caue in this place. This caue flood close by the Garden of Engedi, where in former times the Academie and Schoole of the Prophets Eliah and Elisha, was kept: here the Esseis (which was a Sact among st the Iewes) also continued, who led a Monasticall kinde of life, and gaue themfelues wholly to prayers and good workes; under whose discipline and instruction Iohn was brought vp. Mathesius wisely obserues, that of all other, the Esseies would neuer oppose Christ; but were a people that lived chaftly and honeftly according to the custome of the Nazarites; with all diligence reading the Scriptures, and avoiding idlenesse as a great temptation of the diuell, giving themselves principally to the studie of Phisicke. After this fore was Iohn brought vp.

of Bethabara.

His was a towne scituated upon the East side of the river lordan, 16 miles from Ierusalem towards the East, where there was either a Bridge or a ferry to passe ouer Iordan: from whence

this place was called Bethabara, being derived of Baith, a house; and Abarah, a passage: Wherefore at a certaine time there being affembled in this place a great concourse and congregation of people, John did first enter vpon the ministerie of the New Testament, and taught the people the Doctrine of Repentance and Baptisme. Here Elias the Thesbite, who was a type of Iohn the Baptist, was taken up into heaven in a fierie Chariot. Here John spoke with the messengers that came to inquire, Whither he was the Christ or not; to whom hee answered, that hee was neither Elias nor a prophet of the Old Testament, but the voice of a crier in the wildernesse, 10.4.1f.40. And in the same place where the Priests stood with the Arke of the couenant, whiles Ioshua and the children of Israel passed ouer Iordan, Iohn baptised Christ, the true Arke of the Couenant of the Throne of grace, 10sh. 3.4. Mat.4.Luke.3. Heb.9.

of Anon.

His towne stood vpon the West side of the river of Iordan, 1 42 miles from Ierusalem Northward, a little on this side of the sea of Tiberias, neere the mouth of the river Iaboch, where it fallethinto Iordan, in which place was great aboundance of waters. Here also Iohn sometimes baptized, 10h. 3. it being two miles from Salem where Iacob in times past dwelt, Gen. 33. Of the meeting together of the waters this towne was called Ænon, of Ain which fignifies an Eye, and a fountaine that springeth as it were from an Eye.

of Macherus or Macharuntes.

MAcherus was a towne of Perza, beyond Iordan, 20 miles from Ierusalem towards the East, scituated in a high mountaine : being deriued Macherah, that is, A Sword. This was one of the chief castles of Herod Antipus, who obtained the chiefe command in the citie of Ierusalem, Plin. lib. 5.c. 16. In this place lehn Baptist was beheaded, as Infeph. saith, lib. Antiq. 80.0.10. And although his Disciples buried his body thereabouts, yet long afterthe christians remoued his bones & reliques to Sebasten, that is, Samaria, where they were the second time buried with great honour

honor and reuerence. Afterward (as Nicephorus and Theodor, faith) his bones were taken vp againe by Iulian the Apostata, and burnt. There are many other things that are written concerning his reliques, which (because of the vncertainty of them) I omit to speak of; and will proceed to a further description of this citie. whex. ander King of the Iewes first built and fortified it; and then making warre against Aristobulas, it hapned to be destroied by Gabinus one of his Captaines, and so continued desolate till Herods time, who rebuilt the towne and the castle, and fortified it with strong walls and high towers, even a hundred and sixtie cubits in height, to that a man could scarce see to the top of it. But, that God might reuenge the bloud of his Saints, at fuch time as Ieru. falem and the Holy land was left desolate. Lucius Bassus (a noble Roman) came to this citie and befieged it; during which fiege, Bassus tooke a certaine young man which was a Prince of the Iewes called Eliazer, and caused a Crosse to be set on purpose to have crucified him: but they which were befreged in the towne. feeing the pittifull lamentations this young man made, promifed Baffus, if he would spare his life to yeeld up the towne, which he did; fo the castle being taken, the gates of the citie were seto. pen. But the Romans fell to the flaughter without mercie, & put to the fword 1700 persons, besides there were a great multitude of women and children carried thence into captiuitie, as Io(ephu (lib.de Bello Iud.7.cap.25.) affirmeth.

There were many goodly wells, and stately buildings, within this city: there is cut out in the castle a Rue tree of an admirable greatnesse. And in the valley upon the North side of the Citie, the root Baarus is found, presenting both in colour and figure a flame. There are also found many hot Baithes and Fountaines of wholfome waters. But aboue the rest, to sephus maketh mention of one in a caue, where two streames issueth, as it were out of two duggs: the one hot, the other cold: which two waters being mingled together, are very wholesome and cure many diseases, but principally the shrinking of the sinewes. And this shall suffice

concerning the trauels of Iohn the Baptist.

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The Trauels of our Lord and Sautour Christ in his infancie, Matthew 3. Luke 2.

Rom Bethlehem the childe Iesus was brought to Iesusalem. and there presented in the Temple, Anno Mundi 3967, which was 6 miles.

From Ierusalem Ioseph and Marie, (when they had accomplished all things in the Temple of the Lord) carried the childe lesus to Nazareth in Galile, which was 64 miles.

From thence Ioseph and Marie brought Iesus backe againe to

Bethlehem, which was 72 miles.

Vpon the second day of Ianuary, in the second yeare after the nativitie of Christ, the wise men of Persia brought gifts and worshipped him. A little after, that is, about the Ides of Ianuary, just the night before the command came from Herod to kill the innocent children, Ioseph and Marie went with the childe Iesus through the mountains and defarts of Iudæa, into Ægypt to Hermopolis, in the land of Gosen; which was reckoned from Bethlehem 296 miles.

From Hermopolis in Ægypt (after the death of Herod) Iesus was brought backe againe by his parents to Nazareth in Iudæa,

which was aboue 368 miles.

When Iesus was twelue yeres of age, he went with his parents from Nazareth to Ierusalem, to the feast of the Passeouer, which was 64 miles.

And when his parents had lost him, and found him againe in the Temple among the learned; then he continued in obedience vato them, and went with them from Ierusalem to Nazareth, which was 64 miles. So his Trauels were 934 miles.

Concerning the townes and places mentioned in his Trauels,

you may reade before in the Trauels of the Virgin Marje.

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The trauels of our Lord and Sauiour Iesus Christ, from his Baptisme till the first yeare of his Ministrie.

Hrist in the thirtieth yeare of his age, went from Nazereth and came to Bethabara, which stood vpon the river Iordan, where Iohn baptized; and vpon the feuenth day of October, in the middle of the last weeke spoken of by Daniel, cap. 9. was there baptized, at whose baptisme the testimony of the spirit descended downe voon him in the likenesse of a Doue; which

was 52 miles.

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From Iordan, Iesus was led by the spirit into the Wildernesse to be tempted of the divell, and there fasted fortie daies and fortie nights: at the end of which time, the diuell came vnto and tempted him. How this wildernesse was called, the Euangelist doth not specifie: but it is to be thought that it was the defart of Arabia Petræa, & that our Sauiour Christ fasted vpon the mountaine of Sinai, where Moses and Eliah fasted fortie daies and for. tie nights, Exed. 24.1. Reg. 19. For this desart extendeth it selse from the borders of Ægypt and the Red sea, to Iordan, where Iohn baptized: and from thence by the country of Trachonitis, to the mountaine of Libanus. Therfore our Sauior Christ might that present seventh day of Actober whereon he was baptised, come into this Wildernesse; and by little and little goe thence to mount Sanai, which was 136 miles. For there was no place more fit for Sathan to tempt our Sauiour in, than where thelaw was deliuezed, which is the power of Sinne: for although the Son of God was without finne, yet he tooke vpon him the finnes of all the world, Leuit. 16. Ich. 1. Isa. 53. So then our Sauiour Christ (according to this supputation) continued in the Defart from the seventh day of October to the sixteenth of November, which was fortie daies and fortie nights. Epiphanias lib.2. Tom. I. Hæref.5 1. saith, that our Sauiour Christ was baptized vpon the eighth day of Nouember which was the twelfth day of the moneth Athyr amongst the Ægyptians: but this supputation is false and altogether repugnant to the certain Mathematicall calculation.

The trauels of our Saujour after his Baptisme.

Wherefore vponthe 17 day of November our Sauior Christ hungred, Mat. 4. Mark 1. Luke 4. and then the divel with an extraordinarie boldnesse came vnto him, and carried him from Mount Sinai with great violence through the aire, and fet him vpon the top of a pinacle of the temple in Ierusalem, which was 120 miles: this pinacle was so exceeding high (as you may reade in the description of Ierusalem) that who soeuer looked down from it into the valley of Cedron, their eyes dazled, and it feemed as though there had bin clouds in the bottome of the valley; for it was 600 foot from the bottom to the top: From this place the divell bad our Sauior Christ throw himselfe downe, &c. Mat. 4.

From the pinacle of the Temple the diuell tooke our Saujour Christ and set him vpon a high mountaine; but what hill it was. or how called, the holy Euangelist doth not set down. The inhahitants of the Holy land thinke it was the hil that stood betwixt Bethel and Ai, voon which hill in times past Abraham dwelt, Gen. 13. But that hill is not very high, and there are many higher hils in the holy land: wherefore it is to be thought that he was caried von the top of that high mountain Nebo, which was also called Pilgah, and stood 24 miles from Ierusalem Eastward, where God thewed vnto Meses all the holy land beyond Iordan, Deur. 34. and in this place, as God had shewed Moses, so the divell shewed our Sauior the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them, faying, All these will I give thee & a. It is to be thought that all these sharp temptations of the diuell were done in one day:

This hill Pisgah is distant from Bethabara 8 miles, where John Baptift baptised, and bare witnesse of our Sauior Christ, Ioh. ca. I. Now after the divel had left him, and the Angels had comforted him he came thence vnto John which was 8 miles, and John faid to his Disciples. Behold, this is the Lambe of God which taketh away the sinnes of the world. Ioh. 1.

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The Travels of our Sauior Christ in the first yeare of his Ministery, which was the 31 of his age.

DVt yet our Saujour Christ began not to preach publique | w because it was not lawfull for any to be admitted into the Ministerie of the Word untill they were past thirty yeres of age. Now our Sauior Christ in the moneths of Ianuary and February, being then past thirty (for he was full thirty vpon the 253 day of December) began to preach publiquely, but yet hee had no disciples, neither had he wrought any miracles. In the month of March Iohn Baptist testified of Christ before the Priests & Levits; and within two daies after, Christ being then present, Iohn faid, Behold the Lambe of God that taketh away the sinnes of the world, erc. Within a while after, Christ went thence towards Canain Galile, in which journy he took vato him some disciples, namely Andrew and John the Evangelist, and as some thinke, Peter, Philip, and Nathaniel; neere to the town of Bethel, where the Patriateh Inceb faw a ladder reaching from earth to heaven (for Christ in kethmention of that vision in this journey) which was 32 miles, Tob. 2. where hee graced the marriage with a notable mircle, turning fix pots of water (containing 168 gallons and three quality, or thereabouts) into wine, lab. 2.

After he went thence with his mother and his disciples to Capernaum, 20 miles: but he dayed there but a while for the paffe

ouer of the lewes was at hand lebes.

In the beginning of Aprill Christ went from Capernaum to lerufalem to the feaff of the Passeouer, which was so miles, and there cast out of the Tiemple the impries whangers, and those that fold theepe, and oxen and dodes in it: This was done about 48 yeares after Herod Ascalonita King of the lewes had rebuilded and beautified the Temple; of which you may read in Tofep. it. Am. 15. sap. 14. 10h.2.

This first Passeouer of the Ministery of our Sauiour Christ, of The first Passwhich you may reade, Iohn, cap. 2. was celebrated upon the fixth Ministerie of day of Aprill, and continued untill the thirteenth day of the same Christ. moneth. During which time our Sauiour Christ did many Miracles, infomuch that many believed in his name; and among st the rest Nicodemus, who came to him by night, and reasoned with him concerning the kingdome of God. Nicodemus fignifies the Victorie of the people, Ich. 3. At this time he continued in Ierufalem till the moneth of O ctober, and there celebrated the Feast of Tabernacles, and preached the acceptable yeare of the Lord, Elay 61.

The feast of Tabernacles being ended, Iesus with his disciples came into Iudea, that is, hee went from Ierusalem, and began to teach in Iudea, and his Disciples baptised, Ioh. 3.4. Iohn also baptiled at this time voon the borders of Galile neer Iudea, 42 miles from Ierusalem Northward, vpon the East side of the river Iordan, for hee was not yet cast into prison. Therefore Christ chose him a place to teach and baptife in voon the river of Iordan, neere lohn, that they might meet and converse together. A little after, the question was moved concerning Purification, and Iohn began topreach of Christ, and that he was the Son of God, and Spoule of the Church. In this Sermon lobn in many places called himleffe the Friend of the Spoule. From whence it is euident, That Christ and Iohn in the moneth of November did often meet and

converse together.

In the moneth of December Christ being assured of the captiwille of John the Baptist, Mat. 4. Mark 1. and of the persecution and fallacies of the Pharifees, Iohn 4. went from Iordan, and refurned into Galilee by the prouince and countrey of Samaria: inwhich countrey he came to Iacobs Well, which stood close by Siehar; in former times called Sichem, about some 10 miles from lordan towards the VVest in which place he spake with the Samaritan woman (this happened some foure months before Haruest) and after went into Sichar, and continued there for the face of two dayes, and after returning into Galile, was very ac-281110 W

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acceptably entertained of the Galileans, because they formerly having seene his miracles done at Ierusalem, were joy full to see him there.

When he had trauelled from Sichar to Cana (a city in Galile the lower, which was 32 miles, where he had changed water into wine) there was a certain Ruler came vnto him, whose some lay sicke at Capernaum, 20 miles distant, and befought him to heale his son; our Sauiour told him that his son was made whole so beleeued, and his son was made whole the same houre. This was the second miracle that our Sauior Christ did, to. 4. It is thought that this rulers name was Chuza, of whom there is mention Luk, and was Herods Procurator; whose wives name was Iohanna, which significth Gratious. This woman ministred of all her substance unto Christ, 10h. 4. So these Trauels were 192 miles.

I Of the Townes and places to which he tranelled.

Of Canain Galile.

His was a city of the lower Galile, where our bleffed Sauior Christ turned water into wine, being distant from Ierusalen 68 miles Northward. The place where our Sauior wrought this miracle is to be seen at this day; but it is within the ground and you must descend by certain steps before you can come at it be cause (as it seemes) there have bin many churches and buildings fet vpon it, which being fundry times overthrown the ruins therof have raifed the earth in such fort that the antient place is 45 it were hidden & laid under the earth, as is also the place of the Annuntiation, of the nativity of our Savior Christ, and many other where hee wrought miracles; to which they doe descend downs under the earth by steps. V pon the North side of this cowne ford a round hill, and vpon the South a goodly plaine; beeing called Cana in Galile, to put distinction between it and another towne called after the same name, which stood vpon the borders of Tyrus and Sidon, in the Tribonf Afen in which the Canaspirit 1.00 r 9 I

woman or Syroph cenicean dwelt, which befought Christ to heal her daughter who was possessed of a diuel, Mat. 15. Mark 7. which was called Canah the greater, as this was called Canah the lesse, and was distant each from other 44 miles.

Canah was so called because round about it grew Reeds, and there were many moorish and waterish grounds, wherof the town tooke the name. For Canah signifies a Reed: which is a fit type of the Church; for as our Sauior Christ at this town (which stood in a moorish and reedy place) graced the marriage with an extraordinarie miracle; so likewise will be grace the marriage of his Church (though troubled with miseries and afflictions in this world, to sted to and fro like a wauering reed) with the glorious presence of his gratious countenance, and in the world to come crowne it with eternall glory.

Of Capernaum.

His city was so called from the pleasant and comfortable I feituation of it. In the Hebrew text Mathew cals it Capharmaum, i. The town of comfort; being derived of Nocham, i. Confolation. In this town our Sauior dwelt after he had left Nazaneth, and in it wrought many miracles, as the healing of the fick. casting out of divels, and such like, whereof you may read, Mat. 8. Mark I. Luke 5.7. Iohn 4. It stood in the land of Genesareth, upon the West and North side of Iordan, in an angle of land ioyning to the sea of Galile, 56 miles from Ierusalem Northward, in the tribe of Isfacher; and as it is thought by some, iust in the middest of the twelue tribes. Mat. 9, calls it the city of our Sauior. And that Christ was no stranger, but an inhabitant of this city, it is manifest, Mat. 17. where Christ when he gaue tribute to the magistrats of this city) asked Peter saying, Of whom doe the Kings of theearth take tribute? Peter said, Of strangers: Then, quoth hee, the children are free . yet neuerthelesse, & c. From whence may be gathered that he was no stranger, but an inhabitant in Capernaum. It had vpon the North side of it the three Tribes, Nepthalim, Aser, and Zabulon vpon the South, Benjamin, Iuda, Dan, and Simeon; vpon the VVest, Islacher, Ephraim, and the halfe Tribe of Ma-

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nasses; and upon the East, Reuben, Gad, and the other halfe tribe of Manasses: so that our Sauior Christ dwelt in the midst of the 12 tribes of Israel. Furthermore, it was a goodly market towne. and had as well relation to Tyrus and Sidon (two townes of the Gentiles within 44 miles of it) as to Ierusalem: from whence may be verified that faying of Esa.ca.8.9. The land of Zebulon and Nepthalim, neere the way of the sea beyond Iordan, and Galile of the Gen. tiles; a people which sit in darknesse and in the shadow of death, saw a great Light. This town is therfore inftly called the city of Comfort and Consolation; since our Sauior Christ dwelt there, who with his doctrine and preaching refreshed & comforted all such as were afflicted with the burthen of their fins. But the great men that were inhabitants of this City had more respect to their priuat profit, than to the doctrine & miracles that Christ wrought among them; from whence it came to passe that they did as it were neglect and contemne that good which God had offered vn. to them : which made our Sauior fay, And thou Capernaum, which seemest to be exalted up unto heaven, shalt be cast down into hell : for if the miracles had been done in Sodom and Gomorah, which have been done in thee, they had continued untill this day. Verily verily I say unto you, It shall be easier for Sodom and Gomerah in the day of Iudgment than for thee, Mat. 11. For there was no such benefit offered to any Citie, neither such honours and dignities, as were to Capernaum, our Sauior himselfe dwelling there. Wherefore for their ingratitude and impiety the city hath divers times bin wasted and destroicd, as well by the Romanes as other nations; so that at this day this glorious city is become so desolate, that there is scarce 8 houses standing, and they also like small sheds.

of Sichar.

Mantient time this towne was called Sichem, of which you may reade more both in the trauels of Iacob and Abimilech. After it came to be called Sichar, according to the opinion of Luther upon Genefis, because the inhabitants of that country were given to pleasure and voluptuous nesses, the greatest part of their delight being in drinking and quastings for Sichar, being derived of Sebachar, signifieth, to bee drunke, or inordinately to swal-

low fweet and pleafant wine, of which there was great plenty in that towne, made of the juice of Apples, the fruit of Palme trees. and honey, which may very well refemble Hipocras or Metheglinas some Authors haue it. And although by the incursion of the Romanes it was vtterly wasted and left desolate, yet in succceding times it was rebuilt, and called Nicapolis, that is, a New towne. It is scituated very pleasantly, and aboundeth with all manner of delights; but it is vnfortified, neither can it by any meanes bee fortified; neither have the inhabitants any helpe. if they be oppressed by the Enemy, but to fly: for it is scituated in the middle of a valley, betweene two high mountaines, fo that a man may fling a stone from the top of one of them into the city. About two bowes shoot without the South gate of this towne is to be seene the Fountaine or Well of Iacob, vpon the brimme of which our Saujour Christ sate when hee was wearie, as wee may reade in the fourth of Iohn. This Well standerh iust in the way as Pilgrimes trauell to Ierusalem. Vpon the right hand aboue this Well there standeth a mountain of an exceeding height, diuided into two tops, the one of them being called Gerizim, the other Heball. In mount Gerizim the Patriarch Ioshuah built an Altar, and the people standing vpon mount Heball, he caused the whole booke of Deuteronomie to be read ouer, with the Blessings and Curfings, so that all the people might heare them; for thus wereade in Io(.8. The one halfe of the people stood close by Mount Gerikim, and the other by mount Heball, &c. Deuteronom. Chap. 27. These two great mountaines began upon the right side of the Citie Sichar, and extended themselues in length to the Citie of lericho.

Vpon the left fide of this Wel is to be feen the ruins of a great towne, which is thought to be the old Sichem, and by the relicks that remaine there, it may be judged to have been a very goodly Citie. For there are yet to bee feene certaine broken Pillars of Marble, as also large and spatious Buildings, which in times past without question have beene very goodly things, and standeth wonderfull pleasantly; the soile round about it beeing very pleasant and fruitfull, onely there is want of water. This Towne lieth some two Bowes shoot from Sichar, and the inhabitants

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of that place judge this Sichar to be Thebez, where Abimelech di. ed, Iudg. 9. Not farre from Iacobs Well, is to be seene that piece of ground which Iacob gaue to Ioseph, more than the rest of his brethren, Gen. 48. It is a long valley, very fruitfull and pleasant. where there lies buried in a certaine faire garden, the bones of Idcob and Ioseph, which were brought out of Ægypt, Iosh. 24. there. liques of which sepulchre are yet to be seene. Mount Garizim or Gerizim, is so called from the cutting downe of Trees: for Garaz fignifies, To cut downc. Vpon this Mountaine is to be seene (euen to this day) the place where the Temple stood that was built by Sanballath, dedicated to Iupiter Olympius, in contempt of the Tem. ple of Ierusalem. The chiefe Priest of this Templewas one Ma. nasses, a sugitive of the stocke of Leui. This Manasses was brother to Iaddus, chiefe Priest of Ierusalem, of whom you muy reade Ne. hem. 13. But some two hundred yeares after the first foundation, Iohn Hircanus high Priest of Ierusalem vtterly destroied it to the ground.

The Trauels of our Sauiour Christ in the second years of his Ministerie; which was the two and thirtieth yeare of his age.

N the moneth of Ianuary, Christ went from Cana in Galileto Nazareth, which was eight miles. Here, vpon the Sabbothday he went into the Sinagogue and began to teach, infomuchas the inhabitants were astonished at his doctrine: but the citizens being ingratefull, he went to Capernaum, a citie which he had chosen to dwell in before all others, Luke 4. Mat. 4. which was 12 miles, or thereabouts.

In the moneth of February hee compassed about all Galile, preaching the Gospel of the kingdome of God, healing the fick, and those that were diseased amongst the people, Matth.4. In this visitation our Sauiour went to Gæsarea Philippi, which was distant from Capernaum fortie eight miles towards the North. Here Matthew was called, as he was at the receipt of Custome;

and the woman was healed of her bloudy issue, Mat.9. But that Mathew was called about this time, the circumstances of times make euident; for a little after the second Passeouer of our Sauior Christ, the same Mathew was chosen to be an Apostle, Luke, 5. 6. Mat. 9. Mark 2. In the moneth of March, the inhabitants of the towns which Christ visited in Galilee, brought vnto him many that were possessed of divels, and afflicted with other diseases, all which he healed: infomuch that there followed him a great company out of Galile and Decapolis, and from Ierufalem and Iudra, and of all the countries beyond Iordan, Mat. 4. Thus having finishing this visitation, as it may be thought, he returned backe againe to Capernaum, where he dwelt, as I haue shewed before. which was 48 miles; for Cæfarea Philippi stood so farre from Capernaum.

The Trauels of Christ in the second yeare of his Ministery.

A little after these things were finished, was the feast of the The second lewes, John 4. and lefus went up to Icrusalem, John 5. to celebrate Passcouer of the feast of the Passeouer, which this yeare hapned a little before the Ministerie Haruest, which was 56 miles. This second Passeouer of the Ministrie of Christ fell vpon the six and twentieth day of March, at which time Christ celebrated the Passeouer with his Disciples according to the Law of God. Here, vpon the Sabboth day, being the last day of March, he healed a certaine man that lay by the Poole Bethesda, which had bin diseased eight and thirtie yeres, 10h.5. And at the end of the Passeouer he went with his Disciples from Ierusalem, through the corne fields:but his Disciples being hungry began to pull the eares of corne, and to eat them; wherefore the Pharises beeing offended at them, began to reprehend our Saujout Christ and his Disciples: vpon which followed the disputation concerning the Sabboth, Luke 6. Matth. 12.

Vpon the feuenth day of Aprill he went on the Sabboth day to Peræa, which country was in the command of Herod Antipas. and there he healed a man with a dried hand, Luke 6, Marke 3. The country of Peræa beyond Iordan is distant from Ierusalem twentie miles.

But when the Herodian Councell heard that he had healed a man on the Sabboth day, they fought occasion how they might doe to put him to death: Wherefore our Sauiour Christ went thence

thence to the fea of Galile, which was 40 miles. Here he went yo into a mountain not far from Capernaum, and cho e the twelve Apostles, Luke 6. Mark 3. And then vpon this mountain he preached vnto the people, which reforted thither vnto him out of the Countrey round about, whom they heard with great diligence and attendance. This fermon being ended, hee came down from the mountaine, and healed the man that was ficke of the Lepro. sie. Hee also went into Capernaum and healed the Centurions feruant, Mat. 8. Luke 7. Afterward Christ in the same moneth of April, when the man whom he healed of his leprofie had published that Miracle, hee went from Capernaum into the Desart which lay neere vnto Bethfaida; for there was a certaine Defart, Marke 1. Luke 7. In the moneth of May our Sauiour went out of Galile towards Ierusalem, to keep the feast of Penticost; so he came to the gates of the city Naim, which stood on the border of Samaria, and was distant from Capernaum 16 miles. Here herecalled the widowes sonne to life, Luke 7. And after he went to lerusalem, which was 48 miles, that he might celebrate the seast of Penticost, according to the law of God, Exo. 23. Thrice energy yeare shall enery male childe appeare before the Lord thy God. This feast fell this yeare vpon the 15 day of May; for it behooved our Saujour, according to the law, to go every yere to Ierusalem to these three principall feasts, that is, of the Passeouer, Penticost, and of the Tabernacles. A little after the feast of Penticost, Iohn Baptist (being then in prison) having certaine intelligence of the Miracle that our Saujour wrought vpon the Widowes sonne at the gates of Naim; and of other wonderfull Miracles that he did in Ierufalem, and in other places in Iudæa; sent two of his disciples from the Castle of Macharuntes, to aske him the question, whether he was the Messia or no? So when they came vnto him and deliuered their message, at that time he cured many of their sicknesse and plagues, and euill spirits, and to many blinde men hee gaue fight freely. And Iesus said vnto them, Goe your wayes and tell Iohn what things you have seene and heard, That the Blinde see, the Halt go, the Lepers are clenfed, the Deafe heare, the Dead are raised, and the Poore receive the Gospell: And bleffed is hee that shall not be offendedin me, Mathew 11. Luke 7. At this sermon it was thought hee conucrconverted the finner that washed his feet, & poured a box of pretious oile ypon his head, Luke 7.

In the moneth of Iuneour Sauior Iesas Christ went with the Twelue about six and sifty miles out of Iudæa into Galilee, and there in diners Cities and Townes he began to preach and teach the Kingdome of God. At this time there were diners Women followed him, whom hee had healed of cuill Spirits, and of their infirmities; but principally Mary Migdalen, out of whom he had cast seuen Dinels; and Ioan the wise of Chuza, Herods Procurator; and Susanna: All which ministred vnto him of their substance, Like 8.

Now when he had trauelled from place to place some certain time, and visited many cities and towns thereabouts, he returned backe again to the city of Capernaum, where it is said that our Sauior Christ dwelt; and there disposses the man of a diuel, that was both blind, lame, and dumbe, Mat. 12. Mar. 3. Luke 11. And going thence to the sea he recited 8 Parables, Matth. 13. Marke 4. Luke 8. In the euening of the same day he went six miles into the country of the Gadarens, Mar. 4. Luke 8. The next day betimes in the morning he went out of the ship into the countrey of the Gadarens, and healed two that were possessed of diuels, Matth. 2. Mar. 5. Luk. 8.

Out of these two he cast a legion of Diuels, and suffered them to enter into the herd of swine, which they caried headlong into the sea. Presently our Sauiour Christ went thence 6 miles, into the land of Genesareth, where there was a great multitude vpon the sea shore not far from the City of Capernaum, that expected his comming, Mar. 5. Luke 8. Within a sew daies after, about the beginning of Iune, hee entred into Capernaum, and there healed the man that lay sick vpon his bed of a dead palsie, Mat. 9. Mar. 2. Luke 5. after he went to sea, and taught the multitude that came to him, Mar 2.

From Capernaum hee went to Cæsarea Philippi, 48 miles, where being inuited to a banquet by Mathew, he are among Publicans and sinners, and consuted the Pharisees and Iohns disciples. In the same city he restored the daughter of Iairus to life, Mat. 9. Marke 2. Luke 5. and as hee went thence, hee restored two men.

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to their fight, and cast out a Diuell, Mat. 9.

About the end of the moneth of July our Sauior Christ went from Cefarea Philippi to Nazareth, 36 miles; where because of the ingratitude and contempt of the citisens he did no great miracles, Mark 6. Mat. 13.

In the moneth of August our Sauior Christ went from Nazareth toward Ierusalem to the seast of Tabernacles, and as he went visited the towns and cities neere adioyning. Now when he saw that they wanted Teachers, it beeing at this time the second haruest, he said unto his Disciples, Loe the Haruest is great, but the La. bourers are few, &c. and he fent his Disciples out into the Haruest.

Mat. Q. Luke 9.

Of this fecond haruest you may reade, Exod. 23. where God commanded the people that they should observe the feast of the Tabernacles, when in the end of the yere they had gathered in all the fruits of the fields. Also in Levit. 23. it is thus written, From the fifteenth day of the scuenteenth moneth, when you have gathered all the fruits of your land, you shall celebrate unto the Lord your God seuen dayes, &c.

From Galile our Sauior Christ came to Ierusalem, 64 miles; where from the 20 to the 27 day of September he celebrated the

feast of Tabernacles, according to the Law of God.

The rest of the trauels of our Saujour Christ, and the miracles that he wrought in these three last moneths of this yeare, vi?.in day of Octob: October, Nouember, and December, for their great multitude cannot be described. So the trauels of our Sauiour Christ in the were discoue- second yeare of his Ministerie were 912 miles. red, and he di-

Of the townes and places to which he trauelled.

of Casarea Philippi.

His city is scituated not far from the foot of the mountain Antilibanus, 104 miles from Ierusalem toward the North, closeby the two Wells of Iordan, Ior and Dan. Vpon the East side of this Citie these two streames meet, and make the River lordan. Philip

Philip the Tetrarch of Traconitis called this city after his own name, Philippus, and in honor of the Romane Cæfars he added thename of Cafaria; Tiberias at this time beeing Emperour of Rome. In times past it was called Laisch or Lais, which signifies, arauening or roaring Lion. But the tribe of Dan hauing conquered it and rebuilt it again, they called it Dan; and the inhabirants of the Holy land, Lachem Dan, as you may reade in the rauels of the Danits. But this town (as it is reported by such as have travelled into the holy land, and by the authority of Volateran) notwithstanding these names, is often called Belenas. Here (as Euschins, Zozomenes, and Nicephorus fay in their Ecclesiasticall histories) the woman that was diseased with the bloudie issue, was healed by touching the hem of our Sauiours garment: which woman in token of thankfulnesse for so great a benefit, and inmemory of so notable a miracle, erected in this City, a little without the gates of her house, a stone pillar, on which shee cauled to be fet the image of Christ made of braffe; and behind that flood the image of this woman, who had been diseased 12 yeares with the bloudy issue, bowing her self at the feet of our Lord, and touching the hem of his garment. They also say there grew certain herbs about this pillar, whereby miracles were wrought thirty yeares after it was fet vp. But Iulian the Apostata having intelligence of these things, caused those images to be broken down. and erested his own in the fame place. But soon after there havred fuch an exceeding thunder, that fire falling from heaven. frook this image thus fet up by this cruell tyrant, upon the breft. and cast the head and the necke thereof with great violence vpon the earth, These things hapned in Casarea Philippi. Vpon the borders of Cæsarea Philippi our Sauior Christ asked his Disciples faying, Whom do men fay that I am, Mat. 6. Iofep. Ant. li. 20. ca. 6. faith, Agrippa King of the Iewes did much inlarge Cæsarea Philippi, in honor of Nero, and called it after his name Neronia: bat: itretained not that name long.

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Of Peraa.

DEræa or Peraiawas the vemost part in the holy land, in which were the Tribes Gad and Reuben, separated from the rest of Iudea by the river Iordan, and vader the Subjection and governe. ment of Hered Antipas. It was 16 miles from Ierusalem Eastward fo called of Peran, which fignifies, beyond, or vpon the other fide. Pli.li. 4.ca. 1. In the castle of Macharuntes, standing in this coun. try Iohn Baptist was beheaded.

Of the sea of Galile.

His sea lay 44 miles from Ierusalem Northward, represent Ling vpon the bankes a harpe in figure, whence it was called Kinnæreth that is, the sea of the harp, Num. 34. for Kinner signifi. eth an harpe. Toward the North it extendesh it selfe into some bredth, but toward the South it drew into a streight angle, & was called the sea of Galile, because it bordered upon Galile. It was also called the lake of Genesareth, because of the pleasantnesse and fruitfulnesse of the soile lying upon the North side of it. It is called (10h.6.) the sea of Tiberias, from the city Tiberias that stood voon the shore of it. It was but 4 miles and a little more broad but in length from the North to the South 12 miles. Vp. on the East side it had the towne Chorazin, and voon the West Capernaum; and (as Iosephus saith) the water of this sea was very fweet and pleafant, from whence it came to passe that fishes did greatly abound in it, and there were many fishers that lived thereabouts only by fishing in that sea. There were many other Cities besides those two before mentioned, that stood upon this Sea; as Bethfaida, Migdala, Tiberias, and Trichæa; thefe ftood vpon the West. Vpon the East stood Iulia and Gadara.

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Bout a mile from Capernaum toward the Southwest, is to be seene an exceeding high hill, standing upon the shore of the sea of Galile, beautified with many herbes and floures of di-

iers kindes, being very fruitfull and pleasant, extending it self in length almost two bowes shoot, and in bredth one. From this hil one might have feen the whole fea of Galile, the countries of Itumand Trachonitis, euen to mount Libanus, also the mountaines Sanir and Hermon, and a great part of the upper and lower Galihe. Heere also the inhabitants of the holy land shew a certaine Mone, on which they fay our Sauiour Christ did vsually sit when he preached to the people; which stone the Christians cal the table: here was that fermon made of the eight Beatitudes, Mat. 5.6. Luke 6. Here were the twelue Apostles chosen, Luke 6. Mar. 3. And our Saujour Christ descending from this mountaine, in the suburbs of the City of Capernaum healed a man that was infeded with the leprosie.

About thirty paces from the foot of this hill there ariseth a Mintain which is compassed about with a wal, and is thought to Havein of Nilus, because they finde in it such kind of fishes, the Rewhereof are not to be found in any other place but Nilus. Iofibus callerh this Spring Capernaum, and likewise all the plaine being very pleasant and fruitfull for the space of a mile, even vn-Mordan) after the same name, because it is subject to the jutildiction of that city. About 20 paces from this wall, on the shore ofthe fea of Galile, there is shewn a place where they say Christ appeared to his seuen Disciples after his resurrection, and asked them whether they had any meat? And about ten paces from that is fliewn a place where they fay our Saujours Disciples came to and, and they drew up in their nets a great draught of fishes, &c. bh.2 1.

Of Naim.

NAim fignifies Fruitfull and pleafant: it ftood 48 miles from I levilalem towards the North; and typically representeth mecondition of this world! For the children of this world live mall manner of pleafures and delights, neuer thinking of any brow til death feileth on them; but then that ouerturns all, and hole delights become foathfome wato them. Mouvithflanding his one comfort wee have left vs. Frepe in Chail lefus; who so betailed the Widowes fon (at the gates of this city) from death

to life, will by his mighty power raifevs againe at the last day, from the bowels of the earth, and make vs partakers with him of an heauenly habitation. It stood in the land of Samaria; and in the tribe of Islacher about two miles off it, vpon the East side, stood mount Tabor; & a little from it vpon the South side stood mount Hermon the lesser; and extended it selfe thence vnto the sea of Galile, 16 miles. Of these two hils you may read, Psal.89, And about 2 miles from Naim Westward Sunem is to be seene, to which the Prophet Elisaus sometimes resorted, 2 Reg. 4.

Of Gadara.

Adarah or Gederah in Hebrew fignifies munition; and somtimes it is taken to compasse about, of Gadar, hee hath hedged or compassed about. S. Ierom saith, in his time (that is, 400 yeares after Christ) this was a very faire city, and stood in a very high mountaine vpon the East side of the sea of Galilee beyond Iordan, in the halfe tribe of Manasses, some 48 miles from Ieruslem Northward, and is to be seene at this day. Strabo, lib. 6. Gegg. saith, that close by Gadara there is a venomous lake, where swhat beasse some drinketh, beimmediatly loseth his homes, his hoos, and his haire; and there are many that thinke this Lake became thus venomous, because of the 2000 swine that were drowned in try when our Sauior suffered the diuels to enter into them, Mal. 8. Mark 52 Luke 8. Glose by this town stood Gerasa, called also Gergesa, Mas. 8. so ramed (as some thinke) of Girgasus the sono season.

Of Genefareth.

This was a Countrey, bordering you the Northwell fide of the feaof Galile, from whence this fea was called the Lake of Genefareth, Luke 5. This land was very pleasant and fruitfull, as if it had bin a Princes Garden, bringing forth faire Apples, Pointegranates, Palmes, Olives, Vines, and divers other kinds of pleasant Pruits, faire and goodly to the eye, and therefore with the country without cause was it called the Garden of a Prince; being deviced.

rived of Gan, which fignifies, a Garden; and Sur, a Prince. It is distant from Ierusalem fix and fiftie miles towards the North, as you may reade. Math. 6. 14. The chiefe cities of this countrey were Capernaum and Bethsaida; of which cities though in former times they were very faire and large, there are at this day not scarce eight houses to be seene.

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The Trauels of our Sauiour Christ in the third yeare of his Asinistrie, which was the three and thirtieth yeare of his age.

Rom Ierusalem our Saujour Christ returned, some six and fiftie miles, into Galile, and in the beginning of this yeare wintered in that place: so that (as it may be gathered out of the Evangelists) hee continued there the most part of Ianuarie and February, and now the Spring approaching, a little after the death of Saint Iohn the Baptist (who, as it is thought, was put to death betweene the midst of Winter and the Spring, not long before the feast of the Passeouer; so that hee lived two yeares and a halfe in his Ministrie) hee wrought many notable mitacles, not farre from the citie of Bethfaida. The same time the Feast of the Passeouer drawing neere (which was the third Passeouer of his Ministrie) he went thence ouer Iordan and so beyond the sea of Tiberias, Matth. 14. Make 6. Luke 9. At this time the Apostles of Christ being dispersed through all Galile and Iudra, teaching the Gospell of the Kingdome of heaven, hearing of the miserable death of Iohn the Baptist, about the beginning of the Moneth of Aprill returned with all possible speed out of enery part to our Saujour Christ, that so they might be secure against the tyranny of Herod, Matth. 14. Marke 6. Luke 9. Also the Disciples of John came vnto him and told him of his death and buriall, Matth. 14.

Our Sauiour Christ therefore having by this meanes certaine intelligence as he was betweene Bethsaida and Tiberias, of the death of S, John Baptist, in the month of April he went into a ship

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From thence he returned backe again to the sea, and so to Capernaum, which was foure miles: here he made that long sermon of the spiritual eating of his slesh, Mat. 14. Luke 9. John 6.

From thence he went to Ierusalem, which was 56 miles, to the feast of the Passeouer, being the third Passeouer of his ministerie.

Vpon the thirteenth day of Aprill being Sunday, according to the Ecclesiasticall computation, Christ (as God commanded) celebrated the third Passeour of his Ministerie for the space of eight daies in the citie of Ierusalem, that is, till the twentieth day of the same moneth.

After the feast of the Passeouer, the Iewes tooke councell how they might put him to death, 10h.7. wherfore about the end of April, he departed thence, & went 56 miles into the land of Galile.

In the moneth of May, after the controversie that hapned concerning the tradition of the Elders (because of the falacies & contentions of the Scribes and Pharises) he departed thence into the borders of Tyrus and Sydon, which was 56 miles, Matth. 15. and there entred into a house, and would faine have been privat; but there was a certaine woman that was a Grecian of Syrophoenista came vnto him and intreated his aide, Marke 7.

But our Sauiour having a determination to depart from this place, this woman was very importunate that hee would dispose fifther daughter of a diue!!; which (because of her importunitie) he did, Mat 15. And after he went thence into the country of Trachonitis beyond Iordan, going through the borders of Decapolis, and comming to the Galilean sea, and in the way he healed one that was both blinde and dumbe, Marke 7 and there ascending up into a mountaine, he cured many that were blinde and lame, and the third day after sed source thousand with seuen loaues and a few sishes, Mat. 15. So this journey was 64 miles.

Afterward in the same moneth of May he went into a ship and passed thence into the parts of Dalmatia, and upon the borders of Magdala, which was source miles, hee propounded the signe of the Prophet Isnab to the Pharises and Sadduces, Mai. 15.07 16.

From thence he failed to Bethsaida, which was 4 miles, & by the way he admonished his Disciples to take heed of the leauen of the Sadduces and Pharises, Mat. 16. and as he was entring into atowne he cured a blinde man of his sight, Marke 8.

About the end of the moneth of May Christ went to Ierusalem, which was 56 miles, where vpon the second day of Iune he kept the seast of Penticost, according as God had commanded, Exod. 23.

The feast of Penticost being ended, hee returned from Ierusalem into the Countrey of Galile to Capernaum, where he dwelt, which was 56 miles.

In the same moneth of Iune he went the second time vnto the borders of the Gentiles, where Peter in the name of all the disciples upon the confines of Cæsarea Philippi, made that notable confession, saying, Thou art Christ the some of the living God, Luk.9. Capernaum is distant from Cæsarea Philippi 48 miles.

Six, or (as Luke faith) eight daies after, our Sauiour in the moneth of Iune went to the mountain Thabor, which flood 48 miles from Cæfarea Philippi towards the Southwest, where hee was transfigured; and the next day after he cured the Lunaticke, and cast our a Divell, Mat. 7. Marke 9.

In the month of July Christ walked into Galile, and there confirmed his doctrine with many wonderfull miracles, which did greatly amase his Disciples, where hee put them in minde of the crosse and of his death, Mat. 17. Luke 9.

From thence he returned to Capernaum, which was 10 miles from Mount Thabor: at this time Peter went to the Lake of Genefereth, & there caught a fish, in whose mouth he found a Stater, which was worth ij.s. vi.d. in our money, Mat. 17. Here also our Sauior Christ made a long Sermon, wherein he reprehended the pride and arrogancie of his Disciples, and withall taught the doctrine of the remission of sinnes, Mat. 12. Marke. Luke 9.

In the moneth of August he had a full determination to make a journey through Samaria into Iudæa, and so by little and little (visiting the Churches as hewent) to go to Ierusalem to the feast of the Tabernacles, Iohn 7. but when he came to Samaria, which was ten miles from Capernaum, the Samaritans would not re-

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ceiue him, because he made as though he would go to Ierusalem. wherefore he turned aside into Galile, Luc. 9. And as he was there visiting the Churches, there came a certaine man vnto him say. ing, I will follow thee whither (seuer thou goeft. But Christ answered him faying, The Foxes have holes, and the fowles of the beauens have nests, but the Sonne of man hath not where to hide his head, Matth. 8. And to another lesus said, Follow thou me. But he answered, Let me first goe and bury my father. There was another also that would have followed Christ, but he would first goe take his leave of his friends, Luc. 9.

In the month of September, about the time of the second haruest, which was next before the feast of the Tabernacles, Leu. 22. Christ began his last visitation throughout all the land of Iudea; at which time he fent forth seuentie of his disciples into Galile, to prepare the way, and fo Dispersed labourers into his haruest: faying, The haruest is great, but the labourers are few, Luc. 10. This speech seems to be taken from the present condition of the time: for it was now heruest time, it being a little before the vernall A.

quinoctiall. About the beginning of October, when the feast of the Taber nacles drew neere, the Disciples and those that were of the kindred of our Sauiour according to the flesh, went up to the Fealt, but he remained in Galile, notwithstanding a little after he went privily vp: now betweene Galile and Ierusalem were accounted 36 miles, lob. 7. Vpon the ninth day of October was this feast celebrated in Ierufalem, and being now half past, our Sauior Christ taught publiquely in the Temple, 10h.7. Vpon the fifteenth day of October (it being the last day of the Feast of the Tabernacles, and the Sabboth day, he taught the second time publiquely in the Temple, and so continued preaching and doing miracles in lerufalem vntill the Feast of the Dedication, which was kept about the middle of Winter, Matth. 4.

In the Month of November he preached daily in the temple, and at night went to the Mount of Olives, where he rested, which was aboue halfe a mile from lerufalem, and every morning returned backe to the Temple. At this time there came vnto him certaine Scribes and Pharases, who brought a woman which had beene beene lately taken in adultery, and faid vnto him, Master, what shall we do with this woman, &c. And hee answered, He among you that is without sinne throw the first stone at her, John 8. About this time also were the Sermons concerning the power of the Son of God. and a great disputation between our Sauior and the Iewes, Ich. 8. for which cause they would have stoned him. In the Moneth of December Christ wintred in Ierusalem, and recited the parable of the Sheepe, Ith. 10. Also vpon the Sabboth day a little before the feast of the Dedication, he healed a man that was born blind, Iohn 9.

In this feast the Iewes (being angry because he had healed the blind man upon the Sabboth day) compassed our Saujour about as he was in Solomons Porch; and when they heard our Sauiour confesse openly, that hee was the Sonne of God, they began to grow into a fury, and for very anger would have stoned him to death. Wherefore our Sauiour Christ went thence beyond Iordan, and continued there the rest of the Winter, John 10. But before hee went to Ierusalem there were returned vnto him certaine of the seuentie Disciples, which a little before (in the moneth of September) he had fent abroad, and there at that time he recited the similitude of the man, who descending from Ierufalem to Iericho, fell among st theeues. This similitude seemeth tobe taken from the present occasion, because our Sauior Christ going from Ierusalem beyond Iordan, was to passe through great wildernesses just in the way as they goe thence to Iericho, Isbn 10.

At the same time he went from Ierulalem to Bethania, which was almost two miles, and there visited Mary and Martha, where Marka ministred vnto him, but Mary fitting at his feet gaue diffigent heed to his Doctrine, Lake 10.

At this time he tooke his leave of these two sisters, and went thence to Bethabara beyond Iordan, where Iohn baptifed, which was 16 miles, it being now about the midst of Winter, Christ at this time being about 33 yeares of age.

I am not ignorant that there were many which refer that long journey of our Saujour Christ when hee went to visit all Indica, the feriding forth of his Disciples, & divers other miracles mentioned

tion from the ninth chapter of Luke to the fixteenth, to the beginning of the following yere. But I am of opinion that all those things could not have beene done within the compasse of foure moneths, and before the feast of the Dedication: so that it must needs bee that the seuentie Disciples were sent forth before the feast of the Dedication; for after the feast of the Dedication (which was celebrated in the midst of Winter, John 10.) there were but two moneths betweene it and the raising vp of Lazarus. in which (hort time all those things which are described by Luke. could not possibly be accomplished, especially considering that our Saujour Christ wintered some time in Bethabara, and there taught the multitude that came vnto him, Ich. 2. So these trauels of our Saujour were 596 miles, or thereabouts, besides the divers visitations and journeies hee went hither and thither: which because of the great multitude of them, it was not possible for the Euangelist to set them downe.

of the townes and places to which he travelled.

Of Bethsaida.

DEthlaida, fignifies the house of hunting : being derived of Baith Da house, and Zaid, hunting, from Zod, he hath hunted : for from this place went the fishers and hunters which fished and hunted through the world, Ierem. 16. In this Towne dwelt three Apostles, Peter, Andrew, and Philip, John 1. It was scituated vpon the West side of the Galilean sea; in the Tribe of Islachar, sistie fix miles from Ierusalem towards the North. And because of the aboundance of Fishes that were in the sea of Galile, Peter and Andrew became Fishers, and in that vocation got their living, till our Lord and Saujour Christ made them Fishers of men. Matt. 4. Luke 5. Before the birth of Christ this was but a small Towne, and without doubt was so called from hunting; because closeby it stood a wildernesse that did greatly abound with wilde beasts. Philip the Tetrarch of Traconitis and Itura made this a faire citie, which in honour of Inlia hee called Iuliades. This Inlia was the daughter of Augustus Casar, and wife of Tiberias. Ph lip also brought many inhabitants thither, who dwelt in that Citie. But when Hered (the Tetrarch of Galile, and brother of this Philip) had builded up Bethara, (which stood beyond the river Iordan on the East side of the sea of Galilee) and called it by the name of Iuliades, in honour of this Inlia. This towne re-edified and inlarged by Philip, was called againe in the time of our blefsed Lord and Saujour Christ, after the antient name Bethsaids. and so continueth to this day. From hence it is manifest, that the sea of Galile was subject to the government of both these Tetrachs, fince vpon the shore thereof on both sides they had cities standing.

I doe thinke the wildernesse or wood and land neere adjoining to Bethsaida, is called Itura, of Ietur the sonne of Ismael, Gen. 25. or else from the compasse and roundnesse of it; for Tur in Hebrew fignifies, A circle. But that Itura stood vpon the West side of the sea of Galilee, those that have beene at the Holy land can

testifie.

This citie of Bethfaida hath an antient water course comming from a river not far from it, which to fephus calleth little Iordan. which falleth into the fea of Galile, just in the mid-way betweene this towne and Capernaum, the channell whereof appeareth to this day. Beside the many sermons which our Sauior Christ preathed here, he did many notable miracles, Marc. 8. &c. But for the ingratitude and impictic of the citilens the curse of our Saujour fell vpon them. Woe bethee Chorazin, woe be to thee Bethsaida: for if the miracles had beene done in Tyrus and Sidon, which have beene done in thee, they had long ere this repented in sackloth and ashes: Verily, verily I say unto you, it shall be easier for Tyrus and Sydon in the day of judgement, than for you, Matt. II. Luc. 10. The prophecie of our Saulour Christ fell vpon them accordingly; for after divers and sundry ouerthrowes and deuastations, this towne became vtterly vnpeopled, and as Britenbacebus faith, there are scarce fix houses standing in it at this day.

of Cherazin.

THis city also stands upon the further side of Iordan, close by the sea of Galile, in the same country as Capernaum stands: for the city of Chorazin standeth vpon the East side of the river Iordan, where it falleth into the sea of Galile; and Capernaum vpon the West, in the halfe tribe of Manasses, some 16 miles from the citie of Ierusalem towards the North. This citie also neglething the preachings and miracles of our Sautour Christifelt the efficacie and force of the curse of the Sonne of God, Mat. 11. Luc. 10. For there is not at this day a house to be seene, onely some ru. ines where it stood. Chorazin doth denote a dukedome or principality, from Coh and Razon, a Prince and Duke; for Rolez fignifies, A laborious Prince. Ierom turning this word Rozez into Razi, calls it A fecret mistery, or my secret.

Of Tiberias.

Iberias standeth vpon the West side of the sea of Galilee, 48 I miles from Ierusalem towards the North. Before the birth of Christ it was called Kinnereth, that is, the city of the Harpe; after which name the lake of Tiberias or sea of Galile is called, Numb. 14. But Herod the Tetrach of Galile (at whose command John the Baptist was beheaded) did beautifie this Citie with many faire buildings and compassed about with strong walls, and after Tiberias Cafars name called it Tiberias. He also gathred thither many inhabitants, and indowed it with many large priviledges: for although this place before the restoring of the citie was very filthy and impure, by reason of the dead bodies both of men and beafts, which lay in that place, (from whence it hapned that the lewes shunned this place as veterly vnlawfull, and durst not duel there) yet notwithstanding, Hered with singular industrie and diligence removed all that filthinesse, and in that very place built vp this Citie both faire and spacious; partly with gifts, partly with faire speeches alluring many Iewes to inhabit therin. Many poore people al obuilt themselues houses at their owne charge, and those that had no children gaue way vnto the liberty of the citie; besides, many rich and noble men were constrained to remoue their whole families, and to dwell in this citie, so that in Thort time it became very well peopled, according to Iof. 4th Antig. 18.cap.4 & Egisip.lib.2 cap.3. 1000

Nor about two miles from Tiberias towards the South, vpon

the shore of the sea of Galile stood Tarachæa, a town wherein to. sephus dwelt. Now it hapned that the Citisens of Tiberias voon some discontent, and as it was thought at the instigation of one clitus, fell into rebellion; of which Fofephus having certaine intelligence, he caused all the gates of Terachaea to be shut, least any man going thence should disclose his intentions, or any comming from Tiberias, should mooue that Citie also to rebellion : and then privily fent out a command to affemble all the shippes and other vessels that were voon the sea or lake, euen to the number of 230 ships; all which he caused to be manned only with source men apiece, and of a sudden failed towards Tiberias. But when he came within view of the city, so that the citisens from the wall might difcern the ships, he left the body of the nauie a good way remote from Tiberias, and tooke only one ship manned with seuen men, and went close to the citie of Tiberias, as it seemed to have had a parley with the citifens:but they feeing fuch a multitude of thips, and the bold refolution of Iofephan; Supposing that they had beene sufficiently manned, and contained a great armie. were greatly affraid, insomuch that they cast away their armes. and came out of the citie with humble petitions to lofephin, entreating him to spare the city, and to take pity of the inhabitants. Notwithstanding heevtterly refused to shew them any mercie. vnlesse they would deliuer vnto him the Ruler of the citie, which they did: fo he settled the affaires of that Towne, and tooke the Ruler thereof with him to Terachæa, where hee committed him coprison with the comment should be the transcribers

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Bur after, it being certainely found out that one Clitus was the principall author of this rebellion, he fent Leuyn one of his Gard with command to apprehend him and cut off both his hands: of which punishment clytus being certainly informed, with tears and prayers humbly belought this Leurn that he would spare one of his hands, and he would willingly lose the other, which with much adowas granted him, vpon condition that he would cut off his owne hand: so he tooke his sword and cut off his left hand; which being done, tolephas returned the captines to Tiberias and received the inhabitants againe into favour, and ever afterretey-

ned it in obedience.

Vespasian also inuaded this citie at such time as he vndertooke his expedition against Ierusalem, as it appears thin Iosephus lib, de bello Iuda.cap.16. but the inhabitants fearing his greatnesse, willingly submitted themselues to his power, and opened him the gates, going forth of the citie to meet him with great humilitie, giving him and his whole armie entertainment into the citie, receiving him with musick and songs, and with great acclamations and shouts; calling him their Sauiour and protector: which kind of courtesses the Emperour tooke very louingly, and in token of thankefulnesses the Emperour tooke very louingly, and in token of thankefulnesses the tooken downea great part of the wall vpon the South side) that they should abstaine from all manner of rapine and violence; so that he continued there peaceably and went away peaceably.

This citie to this day (as Borchardus the Monke faith) is a faire towne, scituated to the longitude, vpon the shore of the said state beeing upon the South side many wholesome bathes and springs; and there are to be seen also many great ruins of decayed buildings. The land also round about is very pleasant and sertile, abounding with Palmetrees, Vines, Oliues, and Figs. This city in antient time was scituated in the Tribe of Issachar.

Of Tyrus or Zor.

This was the chiefe citie of Phoenicia, distant from Ierusalem 100 miles towards the North. It was first builded by the citiens of Zidon, (because of a sedition that hapned in that Citie) 240 yeares before the Temple of Solomon, as sosphus saith, just in the place where at this day the ruins of antient Tyre are to be seene. But after it began to grow samous (which was about such tims as Troy was destroled) King Angenor removed it to a rocke which stood in the heart of the Mediterranean sea, compassed about therewith like an Island, Exch. 26, and bestowed great cost in fortifying and building it. It stood round, compassed with strong walls, beautissed with goodly buildings, and fairely seituated for the entertainement of shippes; for which purpose, on every side there were many safe havens and harbours made. It

was but a small towne, almost three miles about, and two miles wide: yet the great Mart Towne in those parts, for Merchants reforted thither from all the three parts of the World (Europe, Asia, and Africa) as well for the vetering as buying commodities; and was made so much the more famous, because of the scituation and strength: It stood distant from the land of Phœnicia almost two miles; vpon which continent they had obtained a portion of land for the maintenance of the citie, containing 19000 paces in compasse. The citizens also being greatly inriched, because of their trafficke, built vp many faire cities and townes in more remote parts, which was added to their jurisdiction, as Leptis, Vtica, rnd Carthage, scituated in Africa. They also built Cades, which at this day is called Caliz, as Pling faith, lib. 5.cap. 19. beeing scituated in a very faire Island in the Mediterranian fea, not far from Hercales pillars; infomuch as the citizens of this towne having thus inlarged their command, and increased their substance; In enery place they called themselves Princes, and tooke vpon them to weare scarlet and purple, which colours in that place aboue all other colours, were most artificially dyed : And because of the raritie of them, transported thence into many countries more remote. But because of their extreame arrogancie and pride, it was twice conquered and ruinated : First by Nabuchadonozer Emperour of Babylon: and then by Alexander the Great, as it appeareth in Quint . Curtius, lib. in the life of Alexınder.

Now the occasion that Alexander made warre vpon this Citic, was because the cirizens vpon a time sending vnto him certaine Embassadors with a crowne of gold, in token of friendship, and to congratulate his prosperitie (which heaccepted very kindely, and gause them royall entertainment, as to his friends) amongst other things, hee told them that hee would come vnotheir Citic, and doe sacrifice to their god Hercules (for the kings of the Macedonians are persuaded that they proceed from the off spring of that god, and beside hee was commanded by an Gracle to to do.) But the Embassadors of Tyre answered, that the Temple of Hercules stood without the citic in Paxteron, where ancient Tyre stood, so that the King might easily come thither

to doe facrifice; but Alexander hearing these words, could not containe himfelfe, but in a great anger answered, And doe vee proud Citizens put such trust in the strength and scituation of your Citie, that you thinke I am not able to come to it with my Army by land? You shall well perceive within this short space. that you are scituated vpon the continent, and that I will enter it and facke it. With thele terrible words the Embassadors departed and shortly after Alexander sollowed them with a great and mightie army.

But when it was knowne that Alexander had vndertaken the facking of this citie, there were many that thought it almost impossible for him to accomplish his designes; first, because of the inconstancie of the windes, and the vehemencie of the water, whereby all such matter as they cast into the sea to joine it to the continent, would be driven away by the violence of the Water. againe, the city was compassed about with such exceeding high walls; and fortified with fuch strong towers, that it was not post fible for him to bring any engines to batter them, or fasten any scaling ladders to ascend them, whesse it were by ships. Twice Alexander attempted by flinging into the sea mighty trees of Libanus, and heapes of the ruines of ancient Tyre to have madea bridge to it or else joyne it to the continent, infomuch as the Tyrians mocked the Macedonians; faying, What, can your king Alexander conquer Neptune the God of the fea? For the violence of the sea was so extreame, that it carried away all things with it, and oftentimes broke the thips that were joyned together to make a bridge and drowned the foldiers that be fieged and fought against the citie. During this fiege a Citisen of Tyrus dreamt that their Idoll Apello would depart from them; whereupon they bound the Image of Apollowith a chaine of gold, vnto the pillar whereon he frood, was he might not leave them. There hapned also a horrible oftent among fi the Macedonians; for a certaine fouldier breaking bread, there fell from it fome few drops of bloud; at the hearing of which accident Alexander was greatly amaled, viltill lice was refolued by one Aristander a very skilfull Prophet, That if willied from off the dutlide of the bread, it had betoke ned a heatife cuent to the Macedoniaes . Vent in regard that it if fued from the infide of the bread, it foreshewed that hee should forthwith conquer the towne hee had so long besieged: And so ithapned; for when Alexander had befreged the city for the space of feuen moneths, with great difficulty he woon it: but before he could win it he was constrained to vse a great multitude of ships and fasten them together with yron bands, vpon which placing many engines of battery and other offensive instruments, what with the mooning of the ships and the extreame violence of the batterie, they ouercame the citie. This exploit Alexander performed when he was 25 yeares of age, and about 300 yeares before Christ.

There was one thing that Alexander did during his siege, that was memorable; for before any of his fouldiers would attempt toascend the walls, hee went in person with his crowne vpon his head, and in princely armor, and scaled a high tower of the citie, where he exprest an extraordinary resolution, and by reason of his courage did great hurt to the enemy, who perceiving him to be the King, reforted to that place in great heaps, and shot at him with all their might; but hee manfully defended himselfe, and compelled the enemy to fly. In this affault there were 6000 of the inhabitants slaine; and after he had entred the wals and facke the citie, he caused 2000 to be tyed to crosses and throwne into the fea. From whence may be gathered, that God by this young Prince did accomplish this great worke, that the prophecies of the Prophets, Esay 23. Ieremy 43. and Ezekiel 25.26. might be fulfilled.

Afterward Alexander (as Pliny and Strabo observeth) caused the sea to be filled up, that it might be no more an Island, and joined it to the continent; vpon which place he caused Tyrus to be rebuilded, and compassed it about with a wall fine and twentie foot thicke, ftrengthned with twelve towers, that it might be sufficiently fortified to oppose the incursion of any enemy; so that it continued fafe a long time after, and in the time of our Sauiour Christ was a faire city, though it neuer attaind to the former dignitie and power that it had before Alexander conquered it. The ancient citie of Tyre was distant from this city about soure miles Qwards the South.

Our Sauiour Christ being in the borders of Tyrus and Sidon, helpt a woman of Canaan, whose daughter had beene cruelly tormented with a Diuell, Mait, 15. In the time of Dioclesian the Emperour, there were many Marryrs put to death in this Citie: And at this time it is called by the name of El porta del Zur, that is the hauen of Zur; as it was in the Old Testament called by the name of Zor. In the yeare 1100, when the holy land was in the hands of the Christians, there was an Archbishop of Tyre, vnder whose gouerment were the Bishops of Ptolomais, Sydon, and Beryti, &c. The holy man origen lieth buried in this citie: in the Church of the holy Sepulchre, which is compassed about & fortified with a mighty strong wall. There also lies buried the Em. perour Fredericke Barbaroffo, who died Anno 1160, after hee had done many valiant acts, and fought many great battels for the Christians against the Turkes and Saracens, being ouercome by Saphadinus the Sultans son, and put to flight, was drowned in the river of Suro, to the great griefe of his armie; but he left behind him a famous report. Pope Alexander the third being a great enemie to this Emperour, in S. Maries church in the citie of Venice, when this Prince submitted himself to his Holinesse, set his foot vpon his neck, repeating these words, Thou shalt tread upon the Ase and vpon the Basiliske, &c. Eusebius in his Ecclesiasticall Historie faith, that there are yet standing in Tyre certaine Marble pillars, and other precious stones of a wonderfull greatnesse, that it amafeth fuch as behold them; neere to which there have beene many Christians and Pilgrims put to death by the Saracens. There are also source wels of wholesome and pleasant water standing not far from it, of which wells you may reade before.

Of Zidon.

His also was a city of Phoenicia, scituated upon the shore of the Mediterranean sea, thirtie six miles from Ierusalem toward the North, and fixteene from Tyrus. In times past it was affigned to the Tribe of Ashur, and lay ypon the borders of the Philistines, neere to Mount Libanus. Being called Sidon or Zidon, of Ziden the sonne of Canaan, who first built it, Gen. 10. and fignifies

fignifies a hunter. It was a notable mart towne, wherein much Satin was made, which kinde of stuffe was very precious among the Iewes: and it is said, That toseph of Arimathia wrap ped the body of our Sauior in white Satin, for in Matthew 27. it is called Zadin, which in English is Satin. And as at this day the finest glasse is made at Venice, so the finest glasse in those times was made at Sarepta, a city that belonged to the Sidonians: about which there flood many mines, of which it is called Sarepta, as you may reade before.

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This towne in times past was one of the chiefe cities of Phœnicia, but because of the extraordinarie pride of the citisens, God afflicted them with divers punishments, & brought in Ocho king of the Perfians, who befieged it, and by treason woon it and burnt it to the ground, as Diodorus Siculus lib, 16. faith. The Citifens whereof were driven to such streights by the enemy, that there perished in the fire aboue fortie thousand men. Within a while after Darius last Emperour of the Persians rebuilt it, but made it nothing so beautifull, neither fortified it in like manner as it was before: hee ordained one Strato to be King thereof, a man proud and arrogant. After, about three hundred and two yeares before the nativitie of Christ, Alexander being then but 24 yeres ofage, having overcome Darius that mighty Emperour of the Persians, at Isla a citie of Cilicia, in a cruell and sharpe warre; he lent Hephestion one of his Princes, to the Sydonians, with authoritieto depose Strato, and to let the Citisens understand that they should chuse him for their King, whom they thought most worthy of that honour, as Quint. Curt. sheweth, lib.4. At this time there was a certaine young man among the followers of Hephefion, in whose behalfe he moued the Citisens that hee might be their King; but they refused, saying, it was not their custome to chuse any to rule ouer them, but such as were of the Kings stocke and progenie. Hepheltion hearing this answer, greatly admired their resolution and modestie, especially when they resused to accept him for their King, whom others had fought to obtaine with fire and sword; saying, Truly there is more required to tule and gouerne a Kingdome, than to get it; but yet name one no me of royall discent, whom you would willingly receive to

be your King. So they named vnto him one Abdoloming, who had beene knowne to have beene of the Kings stocke, by many discents; but because of his pouertie he was constrained to dwell in the suburbs of the Citie in a cottage, and had little else but a Garden to line vpon. This man how soener poore, and because of that, of many contemned; yet hee was knowne to be honest and of an voright life, following with all dilligence his vocation. without any regard of other businesse; insomuch as he was vt. terly ignorant of all these stirre and combustions which had so lately vexed Asia. As he was now in his garden digging and la. bouring, purging it of weeds, and planting herbes; Hepheftion with the rest of the Citizens went vnto him, and brought him the robes and habiliments of a King. The poore Gardner stood ama. zed to fee fuch a company of gallants come vnto him: but Hephe. ftion told him, That the occasion of their comming was to make an exchange with him of those royall ornaments which he had in his hands, for those poore and foule garments which he wore: therefore goe and wash thy selfe and returne. So he did, where immediately they put vpon him those royall robes, and saluted him as their Soueraigne. After these things were finished, quoth Hepheltion, Now remember in what a state thou art, no more Gardener but a King; and therefore take vnto thee the minde and refolution of a King, that fo thou mayest rule and gouerne this citie as a man worthy of that honour; and remember, that although the lives and goods of thy subjects are at thy command, yet by them thou wast chosen, neither be forgetfull of him that was the author of thine honour.

No fooner was he enthronised in his kingdom, but same (who is more speedie than a thousand Posts) had dispersed this newes through all the neighbouring cities: some being thereby moued to admiration, and quickned in their studies; others stirred vp. 10 indignation and enuie. Those that were mighty and friends to Alexander, contemned and despised his humilitie and pouertie; and no sooner were they come into his presence, but they began to accuse him for his ignorance: wherefore Alexander commanded that he should come before him, where, after hee had well viewed the lineaments and proportion of his person, and could

not perceive it any whit repugnant to the fame of his birth, hee demanded of him how it was possible that hee should endure his pouertie with patience. To which he answered, I pray the gods I may continue the government of this kingdome with the like minde, for these hands were sufficient for me to live by, and as I had nothing, so I wanted nothing. At which answer Alexander was fowell pleased, that he not only gave him all the princely jewels and ornaments of the first king called Strato, but also a great part of the booty which he tooke from the Emperor of Persia, and added to his command all the neighboring countries round about. This history I have inserted, that thereby we might perceive the mighty power of God in all his works; that can exalt the poore, contented with his estate, out of the very dust, and can pull the mighty from their thrones. So the Euill carke and care in this world to gather riches for the Vertuous to inherit. But to return to Sidon: This city did so much increase, and grew so famous in succeeding ages, that it was the chiefe town (Tyrus onely excepted) in all Phoenicia, ioyning upon the West to the Mediterranian sea, extending it selfe towards the North and South, lying in a plain under Antilibanus, which mountain lay some two miles off it vpon the East. It oftentimes, because of the pride of the inhabitants, felt the wrath and punishing hand of God, as wel by the muasion of Enemies, as sickenesse and dearth, according to the predictions of the Prophets, Esay 28. and Ezek. 28. vntil at last in succeeding ages it was veterly destroyed, the ruins of which city remain to this day, and make euident that it was a faire and spatious towne.

There is to be feen yet to this day a city built out of the ruines of the former (though nothing so large as it) very strong & mightly fortified, so that it seemeth almost inuincible, if it have men wherewith to defend it. Vpon the one side it in yneth to the sea, and vpon the other side of it there standeth two mighty strong calles, one of them scituated toward the North, vpon a very strong tock as it were in the heart of the sea, the which was built by certin Pilgtims that came out of Germany to visit the holy city of lenusalem. The other of them was scituated vpon a hill toward

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the South of the city, as well fortified, and no lesse disficult to be conquered. These two castles with the whole city in times pass were in the hands of the Knights templers. The land round abour it is very pleasant and fertile, abounding with all kinde of good things necessarie for the maintenance of life and delight. There is also found great aboundance of Grapes which are very delicious and pleasant to the tast, wherof the wine Canamella is made. But because the Turkes and Saracens are inhibited by the strict law of their Alcaron from drinking of wine, therefore they suffer novineyards to be planted, neither the inhabitants to dresse those Vines that grow naturally. Before the East gate of the antient citylwhich now lies destroied, there is built a Chappel, in which place they fay the woman of Canaan entreated our Sauior Christ to cast a Diuell out of her daughter, Mat. 15. The mountain Antilibanus beginneth close by the river Eleutherius, and extends it selse beyond Tripolis; and in some places it ioyneth so close to the sea, that for the streightnesse of the wayes those that travel that way can scarse passe. In this city was the fairest purple in all those parts: nay as some Authors affirme, the like was not to be found in the world &c.

Of Cana Syro-Fhanicea.

His towne, which was called Cana the Great, was scituated vpon the borders of Tyrus and Sydon, 112 miles from Ierufalem Northward, scituated in the Tribe of Ashur, 4 miles from Sydon towards the South, and three from Sarepta towards the East. In this towne the Syrophoenician dwelt, that befought our Saujor Christ to heale her daughter that was possessed of a divel, Mat. 15. Mar. 7. It was called Cana, to put a difference betweene it and another Cana scituated in Galile the lower; in which city our Saujor Christ turned water into wine. You may reade more of this towne before.

Of Trachonitis.

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His city was so called from the stony hardnes of the moun-L tains of Gilead which compasse it in vpon, the East side: in which prouince the tribe of Gad and the halfe tribe of Manasses inhabited. It was in antient times called Basan; in which og the mighty Gyant had a great command : but Moses ouercame him, and gave the land to the tribe of Gad and the half tribe of Manaffes. In Christs time the Tetrarch and gouernour of it was Philip. who was fon to Herod the Great, and brother to Herod Antipas Tetrach in Galile and Petras ; which Herod tooke to wife Herodia, whom his brother Philip had formerly maried, the faid Philip beeing at that time aliue: but because Iohn Baptist reprehended him for that fact, therefore at her request he was beheaded in the Caflle of Machera.

Itura was another Prouince belonging to the tetrarchy of Philip, ioyning upon the West to the river of Iordan, and called Galile of the Gentiles, of which you may reade before.

Of Decapolis.

This country is so called of tencities that were scituated in Lit. It stood beyond Iordan and the sea of Galile, as may be gathered out of Mark, ca.7. and Mat. 15. So that it is manifest that that country which in times past was called Gilead, was afterward known and called by the name of Decapolis, because of the ten cities which stood there; as Chorazin which Christ curfed, Mat. 11. Gamala, where Agrippa King of the Iewes was hurt inhis right arme, Iof. de bell. Iud.lib. 4.cap. 1. Iuliades, built by Herod Antipas in honor of the Empresse Iulia. Gadara, where our Sauior Christ cast out the legion of diuels, suffering them to enter into the herd of swine, Mat. 8. Mar. 5. Astaroth, the chiefe citie of that Countrey in the time of og King of Basan, Iof. cap. 12. Here also that holy man 106 sometimes had his dwelling. Tabes in Giz lead, where Saul King of Israel lieth buried, I Sam. 31. Mizpah, where

where *Ieptha* offered his daughter for a facrifice to the Lord, *Indg*. 11. Ramoth in Gilead, where King Ahab was flaine with a Dart, I. Reg. 22. And Abel of the Vines, where Baalams Affe spake, Num. 22. These are those ten cities whereof this country is called Decapolis; being scituated in the land of Gilead betweene Iordan, where our Sauior healed the man that was both blind and dease, Mark 7. This opinion exactly agreeth with that of the holy scripture. Yet I know there are some (as Plin, lib. 5, cap. 18. and others) who differ from this in the description of this countrey, but they erre from the truth.

of Magdala.

His was a city scituated upon the West side of the Galilean fea, 52 miles from Ierusalem Northward; in which Coun. try Mary (who of this town was called Mag dalen) was borne. At this time this city is called by the name of Castle Magdala; in which place they shew the house of Mary Magdalen. Vpon the West and North side of the city there lieth a great and spatious plain, preserved only for pasture, which Mar. cap. 8. calls Dalmanutha, that is, Drawn dry, or a poore and naked habitation; being derived of Dalal, He hath made dry; and Maon, a House or dwelling place. It may be a notable figure of the Christian Church, which in this world may rightly be faid to haue a poore habitation, but yet is a right Magdala, that is, a strong and impregnable Tower, against which the gates of Hell shall not be able to preuaile, Matt. 16. Vpon the borders of Magdala and Dalmanutha, the Pharifees and Sadduces tempting our bleffed Sauior Christ, demanded of him a figne from heaven, Mat. 15.16. Mar. 8. This city belonged to the tribe of Islacher.

Of Thabor.

Mount Thabor was a round and high hill, vpon which our bleffed Sauior Christ was transfigured: scituated vpon the borders of the tribes of Islacher & Zebulon, fifty two miles from the City of Ierusalem towards the North, and extendeth it selfe

toward the South to the river Kison. Heere Deborah and Barack discomfitted the Host of Sisera King of the Canaanites, and put them to flight, Iug. 4. Of this mountain you may reade, Pfal. 39. Hos. 4. Ierem. 45. There was also a towne called after this name, so the Midianites put to death the brothers of Gideon, Iudges 8. It was a very fruitfull and pleasant place. Concerning the signification of the name you may reade before. Egespous saith, That this mountaine is almost source miles in height, and that vpon the toppe thereof there is a round Plaine almost three miles ouer, in which there growes great plenty of trees of an admirable pleasantnesse and sweetnesse; my birds which fing very pleasantly, to the great delight of all such as heare them: and the aire on the top of it is very pure and pleasant.

It is the received opinion, that upon the top of this mountain our Sauiour Christ in the presence of Peter, Iames, and Iohn, was transfigured, and he spake with the holy Prophets Moses and Elias, Mat. 17. Luke 9. which place at this day is compassed about with a great Wall, within which is a faire and pleasant Orchard, watered with many cleare & goodly springs, but there is no man that dwels in it, (notwithstanding there are many townes and inhabitants at the foot of the mountaine) neither do they thinke any man worthy to dwel in it, they hold it in such estimation, and reuerence it as the Hill of God. There are to be seen in it divers great ruins of Pallaces, Towers, and princely Edifices; in which at this day there harbour many Lions and other wilde beafts. It is very difficult to ascend up to the toppe of it, it is so exceeding high: it is one of the principal hils in the holy land, not only because that Christ on it was transfigured, but because it is verie iruitfull, and plentifully aboundeth with Vines and other profitable plants, and herbs. The aire thereof is wholfome and good, and the dew vpon it rifing thick and sweet, with indifferent rain; the trees high and faire, greene both Winter and Sommer. At the foot of the mountaine, towards the South neere to Endor, in the way that leadeth from Syria into Ægypt, is shewed the Place where (as it is faid) Melchisedech met with Abraham, when

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he returned from the battell of the foure Kings, Gen. 14. At the foot of the mountaine lying toward the West, just against Nazareth, there is a Chappel built, in the place where they say our Sanior Christ descending from this mountaine, spake to his Disciples saying, Tel none of this vision, Mat. 17. Vpon the East side of it runs the brook Kison, where Barak and Deborah ouercame the Army of Sistera, Judg. 4.

There is also another hill in the vpper part of Galile, 92 miles from Ierusalem Northward, which hill is also called Thabor, and is three miles distant from Cæsarea Philippi Eastward: but that

was not the place of Christs Transfiguration.

The Trauels of Christ in the fourth yeare of his Ministery, bc. the foure and thirtieth of his age.

TN the moneth of Ianuary Christ the sonne of God wintered in Bethabara, 16 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward, where John fometimes baptised, Joh. 10. And many came vnto him saying, John shewed us no signes, but what soeuer he preached of this Christ are true. And many beleeved on him. Now as Christ went into the Defart to preach, his Disciples came vnto him saying, Lord teachys to pray, as John taught his Disciples to pray. Wherupon he prescribed to his Disciples a forme of prayer, which is called the Lords prayer, Luke 11. At this time there came vnto him a great multitude; and thronged about him, where hee made that long sermon which is described Luke 12 & 13. Voon the seuenteenth day of Ianuarie, it being then the Sabbath, he cured a certaine woman which had beene diseased 18 yeares, Luke 13. And when there came vnto him certain Pharifees faying, Thou art the Sonne of God, wherefore get thee out of this countrey, for Herod fecks to kill thee: Iefus answered them saying, Goe and tell that erafty Foxe, Behold, I cast out Divels to day and to morrow, and the thirdday I shall be perfected, Presently he departed out of Petræa, (where

(where Herod kept his Court in the castle of Macharuntes) and went into Galile beyond Iordan, 28 miles, Luke 13. Vpon the last day of Ianuary being the Sabbath, our Lord and Sauiour Christ healed (in the house of a certaine prince of the Pharises) a man sicke of the dropsie, and recited the parable of the great Supper, Luke 14.

In the moneth of February he went through all Galile, which was 80 miles long, and 24 broad; in which vifitation there followed him a great company. And when there came vnto him Publicans and finners, he began to speake of repentance; but the Pharises and Scribes murmured at him, and opposed his parables of the lost sheep, of the woman that had lost her groat, & of the prodigal fon, Luke 15. And a little after he recited vnto his disciples the parable of the vniust Steward, and of Dives and Lazarus, Luke 16. About the later end of February (as by the circumstance of the historic and times may appeare) he made that semon of the power of Faith and Good works, & c. Luk; 17. And going out of Galile through the middest of Samaria he healed the ten Lepers, Luk, 17. he recited the parable of the vniust ludge, and that of the Publican and Pharisee, Luke 18.

In the moneth of March hee finished this generall visitation. Which journies were so many & divers that his disciples could not describe them. Notwithstanding in this moneth he went into the borders of Iud 22 and Petr 22 beyond Iordan, and came to Bethabara where tohn lomtimes baptiled, and there followed him agreat company, and he healed them, Matth 19. Mark 10. There the Pharifees moved the disputation of the Divorce; and Christ louingly embraced the little children, Mar 20. In this moneth of March Lazarus the brother of Martha and Mary, who dwelt at Bethania, fell ficke of a deadly difease, and they senome stengers to Christ, who ar this time was at Bethabara, to give him to sander I fland of his ficknesse, Ich, 11. This message came untoour Sauiour Christ to Bethabara vpon the twentieth day of Marchibeing. the last day of the twelfth month Adar, Anno Mundi 4000, and about such time as the seventy weekes spoken of by Direct were fully ended: At the end of which prophecie it behoomed Christ, Calling !

that he might fulfil the prophecies of the old Testament) to suffer, and by his refurrection and ascention to enter into the glory of God, and to be partaker of his eternall kingdome.

Although our Sauior had received this message of the sickenesse of Lazarus, he stayed at Bethabara. Two dayes after and as it may be thought about the 22 day of March, which was the fecondday of the first moneth Ahib, Lazarus died. But LaZarus being dead and buried, then our Saujour went from Bethabara to. wards Iericho, Ioh. 14. Luke 8. and in the way a man came to him and faid, Good Master what shall I do that I may inherit eternall life? Christ said vnto him, Go and sell all that then hast, and give it wnto the Poore, and thou shalt finde treasure in heaven, and then come and follow me. But because hee was very rich he refused, and went his way. After he recited the Parable of the Laborers in the vineyard making mention of predestination. Also in this journy he reprehended the sons of Zebedeus for their pride and arrogancie, and foretelleth his disciples of his death and passion, and in the way healed the blinde man that fate begging, and so entred into Tericho, where he rested all night in the house of Zacheus, Mat. 20. Zacheus fignifies Clean.

Vpon the 24 of March Christ went from Iericho to Bethania. which was 12 miles. Here he healed Bartimeus the fon of Timeus, Mark 10. (Timaus fignifieth Vncleane, of Tame, Hee is defiled) And going a little further hee healed other two, restoring them to fight, Matth. 19. Vpon the 25 of March (being Tuelday)our Sauior Christ came to Bethania, where by the power of his word he raised LaZarus to life after he had bin buried four daies, Ia. 11. Lazarus and Eleazer have both one figuification, that is, God is

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Vpon the 26 day of March, the feast of the Passeouer of the lews drawing neere, he fent from Bethania to the city of Ephraimmeere to the defart, that he might awoid the traps and deceits of the lewes, who went about to take him, John 11, which was ten miles.

Vpon the 27 day of March hee returned backe againe from Ephraim to Bethania (being romiles) comming thither about the euening

evening, fix daies before the Passeouer, at which time Martha ministred to him, & Mary anointed his feet, wherat Indas grutched. 10h. 12. Vpon the Sabbath day, being the 28 of March, hee rested in Bethania at the house of Martha. Now as he was at supper with Lazarus, many of the Iewes understanding that he was there, resorted thither, not onely to fee him, but Lazarus also whom hee had raifed from the dead, Ioh. 12.

Vpon the 29 of March Christ sitting vpon an asse went to Ierusalem. Now when the multitude heard that he was come vnto Ierusalem, they went out to meet him, some laying their garments in the way, others strowing the boughes of trees, where he should go; and those that went before cried saying, Hosanna to the Some of Dauid, bleffed be he that commeth in the name of the Lord. At this time our Saujour Christ wept ouer Ierusalem, and cast out all those that bought and sold in the Temple, Matt. 21. Ioh. cap. 17. About the evening he went out of the city again to Bethania, almost two miles, and there rested all night, Mat. 21. So this daies journy was almost foure miles. In the evening of this day the Iewes chose their Paschal lambe, according to the Law, Exod. 12.

Voon the 30 day of March hee went from Bethania to Ierusalem betimes in the morning; in which journy he curfed the Fig. tree that wanted fruit, and after entring into the city, hee cast out of the Temple the mony-changers and Merchants, Mark 11. About the evening (as may be gathered by circumstance of time) he returned back again to Bethania. This daies journy was foure miles.

Vpon the last day of March in the morning Christ went back. againe from Bethania to Ierusalem; and by the way as hee went, his Disciples beheld the Figge tree that he had cursed, and loe it itwas dried vp, Mar. 11. After, when he was in the Temple, therecame certaine Pharisees vnto him and disputed with him. At which time herecited the Parable of the mariage of the Kings: daughter. Also certaine Scribes and Pharisees came vnto him asking him whether it was lawfull to pay tribute vnto Cafar, Matth. 21.22. He also sharply rebuked the Scribes and Pharifees, and recited recited the Simile of the Hen and her Chickens, Mat. 23. After that, he went to the mount of Olives, almost a mile. And then his Disciples looking upon the goodly building of the temple from thence he tooke occasion to preach of the destruction of lerusa. lem, & the confummation of the world; so he stayd al that night in the mount of Olives, Mat. 24.

The Trauels of Christ in the fourth yeare of his Ministery.

Vpon the first day of Aprill being Wednesday, our Saujour Christ rising before day, taught again in the Temple; and after as he was going to Bethania, he faid to his Disciples, Know yee that within the se two daies is the feast of the Passouer, and the Son of man shall be delivered to the hands of sinners, and crucified. At the same time the chiefe Priests assembled themselves together, and took counfell how they might do to take him by deceit, Mat. 26. The same day as our Sauiour Christ was in the house of Simon the Leper, (whom he had healed of that ficknesse) there came a woman and brought a box of pretious ointment and poured it wpon his head, at which the Disciples murmured, Mat. 26. Mar. 14. Luke 21.

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Voon Turseday being the second day of Aprill, the dayes of the feast of the Passeouer being now at hand, Christ with his disciples prepared for the eating of the Paschal Lambe; which was the fourth Passeouer of our Saujour, and when about the eucning of this day it was necessarie for them to keepe the Paschall Lambe, and to prepare the Paffeouer according to Gods Law Christ sent Peter and Iohn to make ready the Supper, and he with the rest of his Disciples about evening went from Berhania toward lerusalem, iust at the beginning of the 14 day of the 2 moneth Abib or Nisan, which began about the euening of this day. Here he celebrated his last supper among his Disciples, between fix and seuen of the clock in the euening; at which time he celebrated the facrament of the Lords supper, concerning the true receiuing of his body and bloud : of which you may read, Mat. 26. Mark 14. Luke 22. 1 Cer. 11. Afterward about the eight house he washed his Disciples seet, and then leaning upon the table, hee pointed out Iudas that should betray him, Iobn ca. 13. From the ninth houre to the tenth houre, about the second Watch of the night. Indas that Traitor went from his Disciples, John J. In the mean time Christ made that long fermon recited onely by Iohn, 114.15.16. and made that effectual prayer, Iohn 17. About the 10 houre(after they had fung a Pfalme) Christ went ouer the brooke Cedron, to the garden of Gethfamene, being fomwhat more than halfe a mile. There between the hours of 11 and 12, he sweat waterand bloud, and prayed earneftly. About 12 of the clock, it being then midnight, Christ was betraied by Indas, who about three daies before had fold him for thirty filuerlings, which was worth about 3 li.15 s.

From Gethsamene the Iews brought him bound to Ierusalem being more than halfe a mile : and about one of the clocke in the morning caried him to the house of Annas who was one of the chiefe priests. About two of the clock they led him from thence to Caiaphas chiefe Priest. From three of the clock till 4, (which was about cocks crowing) Peter denied Christ. At the same time Caiaphas and all the Priests of Ierusalem would have condemned the Lord of Glory the son of God. At the same time also the servants and Officers of the Priests beat him and mocked him. About five of the clock in the morning Christ was condemned by the whole consent of the Synedrion of the Iewes, Luke 22. All these things Christ suffered between Thursday and Friday. And whereas the lewes according to the commandement of God begin their day in the evening, therefore that night wherin our Sauiour Christ suffered all these things, belonged vnto the 14. day of the moneth Abib. So that iust at the same time as the Feast of the Paschal Lambe was celebrated among stathe Iewes, Christ the true Lambe of God was made a living facrifice on the Croffe for the finnes of man. Thus as we have observed the houres of the night so likewise let vs observe the houres of the day.

Friday being the third day of Aprill (which as I have faid began the evening before) was the fourteenth day of the first moneth Abib or Nisan among the Iewes. At six of the clock in the morning, about Sunne rifing of the same day, our Sauiour Iesus Christ was brought vnto Pilat, and Indas Iscariot hanged him-Else, because he had betrayed the innocent bloud. About seven of the clock in the same morning our Sauior Christ was carried to Herod Antipas, that cruell Tyrant who the yeare before had put Iohn Baptist to death: here he was daisdainfully handled. At 8 of the clocke our Sauior Christ returned to Pilat, who propounded vnto the Iewes (because they were to have a capital offenderdeli. uered vnto them at the feast of the Passouer) whether they would haue Iesus their King, or Barabas who had beene a murtherer, let loose vnto them? But they condemned Iesus and chose Barabas. which name fignifies, The sonne of the multitude, or a seditious man. About 9 of the clock in the morning (which the Iews com. monly called the third houre of the day, because it succeeded the morning, and continued till noon) our Sauiour Christ was whipt and crowned with thornes. About ten of the clock Pontius Pilat. in the place called Gabbatha publikely condemned Christ tobe crucified, and wa(hed his hands in token of innocencie. Pontim fignifies cruell and inhumane; Pilat, a man armed with a Roman dart, Mart. lib. 10. Ioh. 19. Between ten and 11, our Savior Christ carying his croffe, was brought to the place called Golgotha. About 11 of the clock (the third houre of the morning beeing not yet fully finished)our Sauior Christ was fastned upon the cross, Mark 13. He therefore hung 4 hours vpon the croffe, that is, from about 11 of the clocke, till about three in the afternoon. And he spake before that supernatural Eclipse of the Sun three memorable fayings: First, Father forgive them, for they know not what they doe, Luke 19. Secondly he faid to his mother. Woman behold thy Sonne: And to Iohn being converted, Behold thy mother. Thirdly, to the Theefe, Verily I say unto thee, this day thou shalt be with mein Paradise. About twelve of the clock (in that meridian which the lewes call the fixt houre, that is, the fixt houre from the rifing of the Sunne) that supernatural Eclipse of the Sunne happened, of which you may reade in Dionysius the Arcopagite, and Eusebiu. About three of the clock in the afternoone, which the lewes call the ninth houre (the Sunne now beginning to receive his light) our Sauiour Christ spake these source sayings, My God, my God why hast thou for saken me? Matth, 27. I thirst, Joh. 19. When he

had taken the Sponge, he faid, it is finished, 10h. 19. And after, crying out with a loud voice he said, Father into thy hands I commend my spirit, and so died. At which time there were many wonderfull miracles wrought, as you may read Mat. 27. Mark 15. Luk. 23. Ioh. 19. About foure of clock in the afternoone our blessed Sauiour was pierced through with a Lance, and there issued out of his side bloud and water, Ioh. 19. About five of the clock, which the Iews call the eleventh houre of the day, our Sauior Christ was buried by Ioseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus. About the sixt houre there sell an eclipse of the Moone, which was naturall and not miraculous, neither is it observed by any of the Euangelists.

Vpon the fifteenth day of the first month, which answereth to the 4 of Aprill (beeing justly called the great and holy Sabbath of the Iewes, for that Christ this day rested in the Sepulchre) the Priests & Pharisees being partly joyful because, as they thought, the disturber of the common peace & one that opposed their anthority was dead; and partly carefull how they might preuent his resurrection, went to Pilat; and obtained of him a band of soldiers to watch the sepulchre, and to put his seale vpon the stone.

Vpon the fift day of Aprillearly in the morning, our Sauiour Christ having overcome death and the divel, by his divine power sailed him felf vp from the dead, according as he had foretold his disciples, and appeared to Mary Magdalen, Ish. 20. and to other women that touched his feet, Mat. 28. About noone he appeared to Simon Peter, Luk. 24. I Cor. 15. In the afternoone hee travelled with two of his disciples almost 8 miles, to the castle of Emans, Luke 24. One of these disciples was Cleopas the brother of Islaph, who brought vp our Sauiour Christ. The other, as may be gatheted by the circumstance of the story, was Luke, because hee hath set it down so exactly.

In the evening of the same day he returned invisibly from E-maus to Ierusalem, 8 miles, where when the doores were all shut, and his disciples were assembled together for seare of the Iewes, lesus came and stood in the midst of them and said, Peace be unto 1944. And he shewed himselfe to all his Disciples except Thomas.

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Mark calleth this the first day of the Sabbath, that is, of the week, Mark 16. Luke 24, 10h. 20. for the Sabbath of the Iewes (as Iose, witnesset) is not onely taken for a day of rest, but also for the whole weeke: from whence is that saying in the Gospel, Iejunio bis in Sabbato, i. I fast twice in the weeke, Luke 18.

Vpon the 12 day of April, and eight daies after his refurrestion, he appeared again to dis disciples, Thomas being then present and the dores shut; that hee might make euident that his Omnipotencie was not tied to any secondary causes, or hindered by the property of any natural bodies, which according to S. Austin Ser. 160. was so much the more wonderful, because hee appeared vnto them substantially and effectually, not as a Phantasma or Shadow which vanisheth away, and is without any corporial substance.

In the same moneth of Aprill our Sauiour Christ appeared again to Peter, Thomas, Nathaniel, the sons of Zebedeu, and other two Disciples, as they were sishing upon the shore of Tiberias, which stood 56 miles from Ierusalem Northward, betweene Bethsaida and Capernaum, Ioh. 21. The day of this apparition is not set downe:

From the sea of Tiberias neere to Capernaum and Bethsaida, to mount Thabor scituated in Galile, is reckoned to miles there about the end of April our Sanior Christ appeared to aboue 500 brethren at once, where many worshipped him, & others doubted, Mat. 28.1 Cor. 15. In the month of May our Sanior Christappeared to Iames the son of Alpheus, for he had been seen before of Iames the sonne of Zebedeus: both which were after crowned with martyrdom in the city Ieruselem; the son of Zebedeus voon the 25 day of Iuly, ten yeares after the resurrection, and the sonne of Alpheus vpon the seast day of the Passeouer was throwne from a Pinnacle of the Temple, 29 yeares after the resurrection of our Sanior.

Vpon the 40 day after his refurrection hee returned fiftie fixe miles to Ierufalem, where his disciples were assembled together and vpon the fourteenth day of May, in the fight of all the Apoles.

files, with great triumph and ioy he ascended up into heauen, and fitteth at the right hand of his father in divine majestie and glory Mar. & Luk.vlt. Act. **. Pfal. 28. Ephes. 1. 1 Pct. 3. Heb. 1. So these Travels of our Savior Christ were 319 miles. But if you reckon his travels from the time of his infancie to the day of his ascention, they make 3093 miles. Besides his generall Visitations and journies hither and thither, which were so many, that as John witnesset, cap.vlt. they could not be described.

¶ Of the townes and places to which he trauelled.

of Iericho.

His city stood very pleasantly in the tribe of Benjamin, ten miles from Ierusalem Northeastward. Ioshuah ouercame this towne by founding of trumpets, Iof. 6. Heb. 11. it was rebuilt by Hiel, and was compassed about with a new wall by Herod, that mighty King of the Iews, who put the innocent children to death and called it after his mothers name Cyprus, Iof. de Bell. Ind, lib. 1. cap. 16. And although this city was taken and otterly ouerthrown the second time by the Romans, at such time as Vespasian and his fon Titus wasted and destroied Ierusalem and all the land of Iudra; yet afterward it was re-edified, and in Ieroms time which was 400 yeares after Christ, it was a faire city. There was shewn the house of Zachem, and the Sycomore tree that he went vpon to see Christ, Luk. 19. Butby reason of the often destructions and deuaflations that hath fallen upon it, there is not to be seen at this day aboue eight houses in the towne, and all the monuments and Reliques of the holy places are vtterly destroyed, the house of Zathem and the Sicomore tree are no more to be feen in that place: only the place is to be seen where our Saujour restored the blind man to fight when hee cried after him, Lord thou Sonne of David have mercy upon mee, Luke Chap. 18. Also though this Countrey throughout be very fruitfull and pleasant, yet is it nothing sofertile and pleasant as it was when the Children of Israel did dwell there. For the Roses of Iericho are no more to bee found there, but rather in a Village about fixteen miles from Iordan towards the East. And although they stand so farredistant off, yet they

they retain their antient name. Between Ierusalem and Iericho there is a desart or wildernes, which by the inhabitants of the holy land is called Quarentena, where the man of which Christ speaketh fell among theeues, Luk. 10. There is in the same place at this day great theeuing, and many roberies committed, as Brittenbacchus saith. In this place also is to be seen the river Chereth where the Rauens sed Eliah, 1 Reg. 17. Neere to Iericho also is found the river, the water whereof Elizeus made sweet by cashing in salt, whereas before it was bitter; and it remaines very pleasant and sweet to this day, 2 Reg. 2.

Of Ephraim.

His city is so called from the pleasantnesse and fruitsulnes of the soile, being deriued from Parah, To fructisse. It lieth 8 miles from Ierusalem Northeassward, instinct the way as you go from thence to Iericho, in the wildernesse of Quarentena, closeby the river Chereth in the tribe of Benjamin. Heere our Sauiour Christ, after he had raised Lazarus from death to life, hid himself with his disciples, because the Iewes sought to take away his life by deceit. The Passeouer following, he was made a sacrifice for the sin of man, Ioh. 11.

of Bethania.

His city was a type of the Church, which is alwaies subject to the Crosse, and exposed to every calamitie; and therefore is called Bethania, that is, The house of forrow and affliction: being derived of Baith, an House; and Oni, Affliction. According to the prophecie of our Saviour, who foretold of the afflictions and tribulations that should fall vpon his Church, You shall mourn, but you shall be comforted, and your griefe shall be turned into ioy. It was distant from Ierusalem almost two miles towards the South-East. Borchardus the Monke observeth, That close by a Well about a stones cast out of this Towne, where is shewed the place where Martha met our Saviour Christ when he came to Bethania, and a stitle after called her sister to meet him, John cap. 11. There is also shown in this Towne the house of Simon the Leper, where a certaine woman having an Alabaster boxe of pretious Ointment, poursal

noured it on our Sauiors head, not without the great indignation of his Disciples, Matth. 26. There is also to be seene the house of Martha, to which our Sauiour did oftentimes refort, Luk. 10. Ioh. 11. 6 12, and in that place there is at this day a Church built in honour of those two fisters, which were the fisters of Lazarus: There is also seen the sepulchre out of which Lazarus was raised from death to life, Ioh, 11. which stands close by the said Church. and ouer it is built a chappell of Marble, very decent and comely. The Saracens hold this Chappell in great estimation. You cannot see the citie of Ierusalem from Bethania because of the mount of Olives, but as foon as you afcend a little hill in the way as you go thence to Ierusalem, you may discerne mount Sion and a part of the city: then when you are discended from that hill, the citie is againe hidden. After that vpon the left fide of the mount of Oliues, some stones cast from Bethpage, you doe leave a small village standing under the mountaine of Offence, where Solomon in times past committed Idolatry. From this village the Asseand the Colt was brought vnto Christ. Not farre from thence, vpon the South fide as you goe vpon the Mount of Olives, you come vnto the place where Christ mounted vpon the Asse, as we reade. Matth. 21. And a little after you may fee the whole citie of Ierusalem, with Solomons Temple, and the Church of the holy sepulchre, with many other holy places. Then as you descend from the top of the mount of Olives, you may see the place where the multitude cryed, Hosanna, blessed be he that commeth in the name of the Lord. And in this discentalso our Saujour Christ wept ouer Ierusalem, saying, O Ierusalem, Ierusalem, how often would I have gathered thee under my wings as a Hen gathereth her Chickens, but thou wouldest not ?

of Bethpage.

B Ethpage standeth vpon the right hand of the way towards the East, as you goe from Bethania to Ierusalem; and as S. Ierom saith was somtimes a habitation of the Priests, which at their appointed times went vp to Ierusalem to minister to the Lord. It was so called because of the multitude of Figs that grow there:

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for P.gim fignifies a Figge, Cant. 2. Bethpage is a notable type of the Church, for that ought likewise to be fruitfull, and to bring forth sweet Figges, that is, good workes, and many other comfortable vertues, that so men in their afflictions might be comforted. As it is thought, the Fig-tree that our Sauiour Christ cursed because it wanted fruit, stood not farre from Bethpage, Matth. 21. Min ke 11. Wherefore let vs take heed that wee be not like that fruitlesse Fig-tree, couered onely (like our forefathers Adam and Eue) with leaues, and bearing no fruit, Gen. 3. less Gods curse fall ypon vs, and we be thrust out of eternall happinesse, Matth. 3.

Of the Castle from whence the Asse and the Colt were brought vpon which our Sauiour rode to Ierusalem.

His Castle (as Adamus Risnerus saith) was a certaine Hold compassed about with strong walls, and within beautified with a faire pallace, supported with goodly columnes: it stood not farre from the Mount of Olives, just in the deciding of the way as you goe from Bethania to Ierusalem; for there goes one way to the fountaine gate, and another to the valley of Gehinnon. In the Hebrew text it is called Tirah, as you may reade in Matthew, which fignifies not onely a Castle, but a firme and sure building, with good decorum and order : for Tor fignifies a circular or. der. It is credible that this Hold is a resting place, and that the Asse and the colt were tied in the way, for this cause, that if by chance any trauellers were wearie (by reason of the tediousnesse of their journey) they might hire them for certain houres to carrie them ouer the Mount of Oliues, and so returne them backe againe. The Allegoricall meaning of this Affe and the Colt, according to the opinion of many learned men, fignifies the people of the Iewes, who were burthened with Moses lawes: and the Affes Colt fignifies the rest of the Gentiles, which were not charged with the burthen of Moses law, but tyed onely to the law of nature. So we also like trauellers and strangers in this miserable world, are tyed to the afflictions and calamities thereof, standing in two waies, expecting the death of the body, and libertie of the foule; then our Sauior Christ commeth in peace and looseth this bond of death, (as the Apostle faith, Rom. 7.) and bringeth vs to that heauenly Ierusalem, eternal 1 joy, according to that of Saint Paul in the first of the Philippians, I desire to be loosed and to be with our Lord Iesus Christ.

Of the Mount of Olives.

A Bout halfe a mile and a furlong from Ierulalem towards the TEast, stood the Mount of Olives, very fruitfull and pleasant, bringing forth Oliues, Palmes, Figs, Gossumpine, & many other notable fruits, but principally Palmes and Oliues, of which the mountaine taketh the name. It is faid in Pliny, lib. 16. cap. 19. that these Oliue and Palme trees doe neuer lose their leaves, and are greene both Winter and Summer. Saint Austine calleth it, The mountaine of unction, because of the fertilitie and pleasantnesse of it: also, The mountaine of health, because it bringeth forth Oyles and many other plants necessarie for Physicke:also, The mountain of light; first, because it lieth vpon the East, so that the Sun shineth in the morning very pleasantly vpon it, and in the euening when it setteth, the beames thereof reflecting vpon the Temple of Ierusalem, casteth a beautifull light to this Mount: secondly, because it bringeth forth Oyle, which is the nourishment and life of light: thirdly, because it was beautified with the gratious presence of our bleffed Lord and Saujour Christ, which is the Day. starre and light of the Church, rising up on high to enlighten all those which shall be called vnto eternall happinesse. For which cause it typically representeth the Church, which is the light of the World, wherein are found many Christians that bring forth pleasant fruit, (good workes) relieuing the necessitie of such as are in want, comforting the afflicted, & patiently supporting the calamitie and misery of this world, that so they might triumphantly rejoyce with Christ in that heavenly citie of Terusalem.

What things Zacharias hath spoken of this Mount in his last chapter, is to be understood of the preaching of the Gospell, and propagation of the Church through all the world. Saint Ierom

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faith in his Epitaph vpon S. Paul, That vpon this hill the Iewes commonly burnt the red Cow, with the ashes whereof the peo. ple of God being sprinckled, they were purified and sanctified, of which you may reade, Num. 19. Heb. 6.

Hellen the Empresse, mother to that godly Emperor Constantine the Great, about the yeare of our Lord 332, caused a faire and beautifull church to be built vpon this Mount, just in the place where our bleffed Lord and Sautor Christ ascended vp into heauen. It was built round, all of white polished marble: vpon the top therof there is no roofe, but a window even as Christ should ascend through it, as Eusebius saith in the life of the Emperour Constantine the Great, lib. 3. cap. 40. The same S. Icrom affirmeth.in his booke de locis Hebraicis. He also saith, That the inhabitants of the Holy land take vpon them to shew in this Church, the im. pression of the feet of our Saujour Christ, which happed as they fay, just at such time as he ascended up into heaven: out of which, trauellers and pilgrims take fand to carry with them as an holy relicke, though indeed it is verily to be thought, that they were feet made in stone by antient Monkes, thereby to get mony from fuch as reforted thither vpon deuotion; for looke how oftpilgrims take thence the fand, they are presently filled againe : from whence may be gathered, that there is no fand naturally there. Euery man therefore ought to embrace a neerer way to faluation, than to follow those monkish fables; and to seeke Christ in the holy Scripture, not vpon the Mount of Olives, or among ft fand: for fince the graue could not containe him, the Mount of Oliues cannot hold him, who now fitteth at the right hand of his father, in power and eternall glory: but rather if wee be defirous to fee the footsteps of Christ, let vs seeke them in the Church, which is disperst through the world; wherein wee are sufficiently taught how we should follow him.

The Palme is a famous tree which bringeth forth Dates; and is so called because vpon the top the boughes are thicke and round, extending out like fingers; from whence it is called Dallylas, that is, a finger.

of Gethsamene.

His was a village scituated at the foot of the mount of Oliues, in a pleasant and fruitfull place. Neere vnto this village, as Saint Augustine obserueth there were many pleasant gardens which gaue forth very fweet and delectable fauors; vnto which place Christ and his Disciples did oftentimes resort, as the Enangelist Luke cap. 22. observeth. It was so called from the preffing forth of oyle; for Gather Geth, fignifies, a Presse, and Schemen. Oyle. In this place the heart of our Sauiour Christ was so prest with affliction that he sweat drops of bloud: By which bloud the finnes of our foules are washed away, and wee that are wounded are made whole, as with a most precious ballome, Ifa. 52.

Hellen the Empresse, in an Orchard close by this towne, set vo a faire and beautifull Church, ouer the sepulchre of the Virgin Mary: which she called by the name of the mother of God, Wiceph.lib.2.cap.30. It is faid that this sepulchre remaineth to this day in this Church, made of white polithed Marble, standing about eight and fortie steps vnder ground, being something wider than the sepulchre of Christ: in it there is two doors, one to goe in, another to goe out. But whither this be the right sepulchre of the bleffed Virgin, it concerneth vs not, fith it appertaineth not to our faluation, neither is mentioned in the holy Scriptures: but if any man be desirous to be further satisfied in it, let him reade Nicephorus, who makes mention of that and her ascension, both in my opinion of like credit; because, I suppose, that Saint Luke (who wrote the Acts of the Apostles, and lived in those times) would not have omitted so memorable an action. But to returne to the Garden of Gethfamene. About some fiftie paces towards the East of this sepulchre of the blessed Virgin, close by the foot of the mount of Olives, stands a certain chappell, just in the place where sometimes the towne of Gethsemane stood. Not far from this chappell is showne a certaine hollow place under a rocke, where the inhabitants fay our Sauiour sweat drops of bloud. They also shew a certaine stone whereon the Angels stood which comforted our Sauiour. Discending thence about a stones cast, they Hh 3

they shew vnto Pilgrims a place close by the caue in the Mount of Oliues, where Peter, Iames, and Iohn, sate when our Sauiour was in his agonie. They also shew the place where Peter cut off Malchas eare. There is to be seene a memorable place where Iudas betraied our Sauiour with a kisse, when he deliuered him to the Iewes. Not sarre off is to be seene the place where the Iewes sell backeward when our Sauiour askt them, Whom seeke yee? Besides many other things (if Borchardus may be credited) as the impression of his haire and head vpon a stone; and of his singer, as if it had beene in wax, vpon a rocke: and in the place where he prayed, of his hands and knees, which are so firme in stone that they cannot be desaced with any instrument. But there have beene many in this place since these times, which have seene none of these things: from whence may be gathered, that they have been idle delusions vsed by ancient monkes to get money from Pil.

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This garden of Gethsamene is credibly thought to have been planted in former times, by the Kings, David and Solomon; but increased & inlarged by other succeeding Princes, that there they might recreate themselves, & receive some content by the fruits of the earth. But on the contrary, that great King the annointed of the Lord, our blessed Sauiour, in this place of pleasure, this paradise of the Iewes, was constrained to undergoe that almost unsupportable passion, to make us partakers of that heavenly pa-

grims and strangers; and I have here remembred them, that o.

thers knowing these, may beware of the like fallacies and deceits

radife and place of pleasure.

Not far from hence is to bee seene the place where Indas hanged himselfe; and a little from that, the field of Akeldoma, which was bought with the thirtie Siluerlings for which Indas betraied Christ. This field (by the appointment of the Empresse Hellen) was compassed about with source walls, in the maner of a tower: upon the top whereof there are seuen distinct doores, like windowes, by which the dead bodies of Christians are let downe into it: it is fiftie foot wide, and seuentie two long. It standeth not farre from the valley of Hinnon towards the East, and upon the South side of Mount Sion in Ierusalem, &c.

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Of Kidron or Cedron.

This brooke was so called because of the blacknesse of the water, being deriued of Kadar, To wax blacke. The Mountaine whence it first riseth, stands not farre from Ierusalem towards the South; from whence it runneth through the valley of Iehosaphat (which vally being very fat and fertile, changeth the colour of the water, and makes it looke blacke) and so through Ierusalem; then passing towards the East ouer a cliffe of Mount Oliver, it falleth into the Lake of Asphalites. When there salls any store of raine the channell is very full, but in Summer it is ostentimes dry with the extremitie of heat. Ouer this brooke Dawid passed when he was persecuted by his sonne Absolon, 2 Sam. 16. and our Sauiour Christ when he dranke of the River in the way, that is, when he suffered upon the crosse for the sinne of man, according to that saying of the Psalmiss, Psal. 69. Saue me, O God, because the waters are entred even into my soule.

Of Mount Caluarie.

His Mountaine, according to the common opinion, was for called of dead mens skuls, or the skuls of fuch who were put to death for some capitall offence. It stood upon the West side of Ierusalem as you goe out of the ancient Gate, and is a part of Mount Gihon. At this day it standeth within the city of Ierusalem together with the sepulchre of our Saujour; and vp. on it is built a faire Church, which is joyned vnto the Church of the holy Sepulchre, being as it were a Quire vnto it: But it standeth somewhat lower. It is built all of Marble, and the infide is all polithed and wrought very curioufly. It is also paued with the same stone. Within it, is seen a piece of the pillar of stone, to which they fay Christ was tyed when he was whipped: in which stone are to be seene certaine red spects, as if they had been drops of bloud, and these also (they say) were the bloud of Christ when he was fcourged; besides many other things, of which you may teade at the beginning of this treatise in the description of Ierufalem as it is at this day.

The Description of the holy Sepulchre.

He Sepulchre of Christ stood vpon the West side of Ieru. falem, close by Mount Golgatha, in the garden of loseph of Arimathea: for it was the custome of the Iewes to build their tombs or sepulchres, in their Orchards and Gardens; and beautifie and adorne them with Lillies, Roses and other floures, on purpose to put them in minde of their mortalitie, according to that of David Pfal. 103, The daies of man are like graffe, as a floure of the field so flourisheth he: for the winde goeth over it and is gone, and the place thereof shall know it no more. And for this cause the Iewes, but especially the kings, would be buried in their gardens: fo lofeph, a good and just man, following this custome, had hewed him out of a rocke a new monument, in which there had been no man laid; that so when he walked into the Garden to take the aire, he might be put in mind of his mortalitie. In this monument our Sauiour Christ was buried: And from this place vpon the third day early in the morning, he rose; to the terrour and astonishment of fuch as watched the sepulchie. From whence may be gathered, That as our first parents, Adam and Eue, trespassed against God, and lost felicitie in a garden; so Christ the Sonne of Godin a Garden made satisfaction for that sinne; restored vs againe to grace, and make vs capable of heavenly felicitie. This sepulchre (as it is described by S. Iohn, when he went with S. Peter, to see of that notable miracle of the refurrection were true) was like a little chappel, the doore thereof being vpon the outfide, & was but one roome without any division, so that a man might see all that was within it: for he faith, Ioh. 20. That he did not goe in, but lookt in, and saw the linnen clothes were they lay wrapped up: from whence may be concluded, that the sepulchre which is now extant (howfocuer perhaps it may stand in the same place) is not the same sepulchre wherein our Saujour Christ was buried: for it is described to be sour square, to be open at the top, to have within it two vaults (an inward and an outward) and that you difcend to it by staires, as you may reade at the beginning of this treatile; which description doth not agree with that of S. Johns. Again S. Iohn faith, that they rolled a great stone to the doore of the sepul-

chre, did not lay it vpon the top of it. Also Eusebius and Nicephorus affirme, that the Pagans and other heathen people filled vp the Sepulchre of Christ with earth, and built vp in the place the Temple of Venus, and in it put her image, where thee was worshipped a long time after, vntill such time as that godly Emperesse Hellen caused that Temple to be abolished, and the sepulchre clenfed and purified. Afterwards at her instigation, Constantine the Great (who was her sonne) built up in the very same place a faire and goodly Church in memory of our Saujour, and bestowed great cost both in the workemanship, and in beautifying it with gold and filuer. This Temple (as it was before it was destroied by the Saracens) is said to be built all of white polished marble, and beautified with stones of divers colours, guilt with gold and filuer, couered on the outfide with lead to withstand the stormes and showers of raine that happened; but the infide was guilt all with splendant and refulgent gold, which cast a wonderfull lustre vpon the beholders. On either side of it were two walking galleries, one aboue, which was close; and another below, which was open; extending themselues the length of the fanctuarie; all the roofe and vault being couered ouer with gold and artificiall worke: the one being supported with pillars of Marble, the other with posts of wood plaited with filuer. There were also three gates towards the East, very fitly and fairely difposed, by which the multitude that reforted thither, go in & out: within these, there stood an arch, representing after a fort the Hemisphære of the Heauens, extended to the top of the sanctuary like a circle, girded about with twelue pillars of equall bigneffe. representing the twelue Apostles, and vpon the top of this arch were placed cups of filter, beautifully burnished. All which the faid Emperour dedicated to God for a monument.

There were many other memorable things that did belong to this Temple, which were admirable to looke on, all which as you came up the high street from the market place, were presented to yourview; a stately sight, the like whereof those parts did not affoord. This temple was built by the Emperor Constantine, Anno Dom. 333. Venerable Bead, who was a Dr of Diuinity, and lived in England 700 years after Christ, describeth the holy sepulchre

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after this manner: This Sepulchre ouer head was fomething round, & so high that a man could scarce touch it with his hand. flanding in that rocke which extendeth it felfe from mount Caluarie into the Garden of Ioseph of Arimathea: representing in forme, a little chappell; the entrance thereinto was towards the East. And further hee addeth, that they which went into this vaile, found on the right hand towards the North, a stone tombe which resembled a cossin, scituated in the pauement, joyning to the wall; which stone coffin was of a mixt colour, that is, white and red, being seuen foot long, and three handfulls high. This description venerable Bede received from certaine Monkes, that went vpon deuotion to Ierusalem to visit this Sepulchre:but fince, it hath beene divers times destroied and polluted by the Turkes and other heathen people. From whence may be gathered, that the Sepulchre which is now standing and shewed vnto Pilgrims, is some new deuice of Monkes to get money of strangers, and procure a kind of blind denotion in the hearts of ignorant people; wherefore as the Angell faid, Marke 16. Let vs not feeke Christ any longer among he dead, or in the grave, but in his holy Church, where the lively pourtraiture of his divine prefence is fet forth vnto vs : that so we may be made partakers with him hereafter in that place of eternall glorie. Concerning the residue of this description you may see it before.

of Emmaus.

His citie or castle of Emmaus, is distant from Ierusalem almost eight miles towards the Northwest. It signifies the mother of fortitude; being derived of Em, a mother; and Vtz, which the Hebrewes call Fortitude. It stood where three severall waies were, that so it might serve for a direction to passengers. From whence Melantson saith that it was a notable type of the Church, which is our true mother, shewing vs the way vnto eternall life. And although it be but little, and the number in it sew, yet it is strong. As the castle, though it were small, yet it is almost invincible; and for that cause called The mother of strength, as the Church is called The mother of the righteous, against which the gates of hell shall not be able to prevaile.

In the time of *Iudas Macchabeus* (though it was then a small city) it was numbred amongst the greatest cities of Iuda, because of the securities and strength of it. To this place our Sauiour trauelled from Ierusalem the same day that hee arose from the dead, *Luke* 24.

In the time of the Romans warres in Iudæa, this city was wonderfully defaced and ruined by the fouldiers of Tiberius Maximus (who was chiefe Captaine in this countrey, in the absence of Titus Vespasian,) but yet not vtterly abolished; for about a hundred and fiftie yeares after, Heliogabolus Emperour of Rome caufed it to be rebuilded, and called by the name of Nicopolis, that is, the citie of Victorie. Not farre from Emmaus there was an Inne. or a place to which strangers might resort, and there three waies met; two went of either fide the towne, and one through it: in this place the two Disciples constrained our blessed Saujour to stay with them, because it was then about Sunne-set. Neere vnto this Inne Nicephorus and ZoZemenus say (in their Ecclesiasticall Historie) there was a Spring or Well of that admirable vertue, that ifeither man or beast that was infirme or sicke did drinke of the water thereof, they were immediately restored to their former health. The reason that these Authors have for it (because they are impertinent) I willingly omit.

But to return to the city of Emmaus, as it is now called Nicopolis, being scituated eight miles from Ierusalem towards the Northeast, in the way as you goe thence to Ioppa: the countrey round about it being very fertile and pleasant, by reason of the rivers and springs wherewith it is watered, as Pliny saith, 1, 2, 2, 14. and much altered from that which it was in times past: but because you may reade more of this city in Pliny, as it is at this day, and in Nicophorus and Eusebius, I leave to speake further of it.

of Simon of Cyrene.

This Simon which carried the Crosse of our Sauiour Christ, was born in Kir, a city in Africa, scituated 16 miles from Iemsalem towards the West, Matth, 27, Luke 23, In which city Tiglath

lath Phulasser Emperour of the Assirians planted many of the in. habitants of Damascus, after he had conquered that city, 2 Req. 16. This citie and the country round about it, by reason of these new inhabitants, by little and little changed the name: and wheras in former times it was called Kir, in the time of our Sauiour it was commonly called Cyrene, and this man (of that countrey) Simon of Cyrene. At this day it is a strong and beautifull city, scituated betweene Marcotides and Zeugitania: at first built by Bat. tus, whom Callimaches the Poët claimeth to be his progenitor. This Battus was a mighty king in Africa, but was one that had a great impediment in his speech, insomuch that many thinke this word Barthapige u to have beene originally vsed by him, and by none other. Afterward (as is faid) Tiglah Phulaffer having obtained the jurisdiction of this citie, planted the people of Damascus in it: and they obtaining some power there, continued till a long time after Christ, and imbraced the religion of the Iewes, built vp Synagogues, and dispersed that law in many parts of those quarters. There were some of this countrey that opposed that holy Marter Stephen, and were confenting to his death. There were many learned men in it, as Eratosthenes the Mathematician, Callimachus the Poët (both which were had in great estimation among the Ægyptians) Carneades also the Academian, Cronus Apollonius, and Hegesias the Philosopher (of whom Cicero speaketh in the fifth book of his Tusculans) and Eratosthenes the Historian, who was sonne of Agaclis. Salust saith, that this citie in his time was so mightie, that it maintained war against the Carthaginians for their bounds and limits of their fields and grounds, a long time; and Instine lib. 39. That they maintained warre against two nations, the Phoenes, and the Ægyptians: in which warres they gaue Aprim, the King of the Ægyptians, such a mighty ouerthrow, that there were very few of his army that returned into his countrey with him, as Horodot affirmeth, lib. 4. there were also many great Princes that ruled in this city, of which because you may reade in diners other Authors more at large, I omit to speake of them.

of Ioseph of Arimathea who buried Christ.

His togeth which caused our Sauior Christ to be buried in his 1 garden, was a rich man, vpright & just in all his actions, a Senator of Ierusalem, and one that expected the Kingdome of God. borne at Arimathea a citie of the lewes, Luc. 23. This citie was fometime called Ramathaim Sophim, and fometime Ramah, because it was scituated in a high place, and in times past was a fair citie standing 16 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northwest. the description whereof you may reade before. At this day it is called Ramalea; being nothing fo faire as it was, but like a countrey towne, the houses being carelessely dispersed here and there, lying without walls or bulwarkes to defend it; notwithstanding, the ancient ruins of the former city is to be seen even at this day. There is also a great Inne or resting place for strangers, having within it many roomes for the receit of passengers, and a well of very sweet water. This house was first purchased at the charge of Philip Duke of Burgondie, and by him committed to the protection of the Monkes of Mount Sion, by whom it is at this day made an hospitall, wherein pilgrims, trauellers, and strangers are entertained and find much reliefe. In an inward Orchard belonging to this hospital, there is a faire plot of ground that bringeth forth great aboundance of Aloes, of which there is often mention in the holy Scriptures, but more especially in Psalme 48. Thy garments finell of Aloes and Casia, when thou commest out of thy Inorie pallaces, where they have made thee glad.

Nichodemus a Prince of the Iewes, together with Isleph of Arimathea, brought with them an hundred pound of Aloes mixed with Myrrhe, to embalme the body of our Sauiour Christ, when they had begged it of Pilat, before they buried it, Ish. 19. Myrrh is a kind of gum that issued out of a tree that growes in the East countries, but principally in Arabia: the tree out of which it issued it, is commonly two yards and a halfe high, with some pricks ypon it, the barke whereof being cut, there issued out of it drops like teares, which congealeth into a gum, and is called Mirrh: the principally ertue that it hath, is to keepe the bodies of the Dead.

incorruptable, see Pli.li. 12.ca. 15. & 16. In Arabia Foelix there is fuch abundance of fweet Myrrhe, Frankincenfe, and other odoriferous gums, that fuch as faile in the Red fea may eafily smell the fauour of them. There is also found in the holy Land Myrthe and Aloes. Aloes is the juyce of a certaine bitter herbe, which by fome is called Euerlining: it killeth the wormes, and preferueth from putrifaction; it is also good for the fight. There is to be ga. thered in India, Arabia, and the Holy land, a certaine herbe of an extraordinary sweet smell, with leaves broad, fat and juicie, which being prest yeeldeth more Aloes than honey; from whence this metaphoricall prouerbe is vsed, Quodplus molestia quam voluptais gignit, that is, more troublesome than profitable. You may reade also in Plantus, that the life of man tasteth more of Aloes than ho. ney. And Iuvenal speaking of an euill wife, faith, she hath more of Aloes than honey. So Euripides, Euery sweet hath his sowre. So also the holy Crosse seemeth to have more of Aloes than hony, notwithstanding it preserueth vs from eternall corruption, and killeth the venomous worms of conscience, clenseth vs from our finnes, and freeth vs from the feare of the Diuel & eternall death. that so we might be recreated, and by the faith of our Saujour be raifed vp at the last day, and pertake with him in his everlasting kingdome:according to that of Iobannes Taulerus, Where the croffe, there the light; where temptation, there prayer and regeneration, erc.

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The Trauels of Peter.

N the 35 yeare after the natiuitie of Christ, about the moneth of Ianuary, and a little before the conversion of the Apostle Paul, Peter and Iohn were sent from Ierusalem to Samaria, which was 32 miles, that the Samaritans might receive that admirable gift of the Holy-Ghost, and there they disputed with Simon Magus, 18th 8.

From Samaria they returned backe again to Ierusalem, which was 32 miles. In this journey they went to divers townes of the Sama-

Samaritans, teaching and preaching vnto them the doctrine of the Gospell, Atts 8.

In the fixt yere after the refurrection of Christ, Peter went to Lidda, which was distant from Ierusalem twentie miles towards the Northeast; where he cured Aneas, who had lien sicke eight yeares of the Palsie upon his bed, Acts 9.

From thence hee went to Ioppa, which was three miles: here

he raised Tabitha from death, Acts 9.

In the seuenth yeare after the resurrection of Christ, Peter went from Ioppa and came to Cxsarea Strato, which was fix and thirtie miles: where hee preached the Gospell to Cornelius the Centurion, and baptised him and his whole familie, Atts 10. Clemens Recogn. lib. 9.

From Cx farea he returned to Ierusatem, which was 32 miles; where being accused for going to the Gentiles, hee excused him-

selfe, Acts 11.

In the eleuenth yeare after the refurrection of Christ, hee was cast into prison, and set at libertie by an Angell of God, Acts 12. So he went secretly from Ierusalem (as it was thought) into the desart, or to some other vnknowne place: vpon the second day of August in the same yeare, Herod Agrippa King of the Iewes was strucke by an Angell of God at Cæsarea, and he was deuoured of wormes, Acts 12. Is seph. Antiq. lib. 19. cap. 4.

After, Herod Agrippa being dead and buried, Peter returned to lerufalem, where hee was in Councell with the rest of the Apostles, about sixteene yeares after the resurrection of Christ, and sourteene after the conversion of Paul, Gal. 2. Acts 15. See also Bede

vpon the Acts of the Apostles.

In the seuenteenth yeare after the resurrection of Christ, Peter went from Ierusalem and came to Antiochia in Syria, which journey was 280 miles: there Paul resisted him, Gal. 2.

From Antioch a bee went to Babylon in Égypt, where hee wrote his first Epistle, this journey was 520 miles. So all his Trauels which are mentioned in the Scripture were 955 miles.

Allegations

Allegations of the Author to proue that Peter was neuer at Rome.

Vt that Peter was twenty five yeares seven moneths and five daies Bishop and chiese Priest at Rome, cannot be proued by the testimony of the Scripture, and is veterly repugnant to the supputation and true accompt of the times. First, because it is manifest by that which hath beene said, that he continued at Ierusalem and in Iudæa during the time that Tiberius, Calignia, and Claudius were Emperours of Rome. And shortly after the martyrdome of Steuen, hee and Iohn were fent into Samaria, that the Samaritans might also receive the gift of the holy Ghost, Act. 8. Paul also in the third yere after his conversion, came to lerusalem, and there spoke with Peter, and remained with him sis. teene daies, Act. 9. Gal. 1. Fourteene daies after the conversion of Paul, Peter was at the Apostolicall councell held in Ierusalem; and there, with Iames and Iohn gaue the right hand of fellowship to Paul and Barnabas, that they should goe and preach the Gospell vnto the Gentiles; and that hee and the rest would goe vnto the Iewes & those that were circumcised, Gal.2. In the time of Claudius Cafar, Peter was committed to prison by Herod Agrippa in Ierusalem, and miraculously delivered by the Angell of God, Act. 10. In the ninth yeare of Claudius Cafar, Peter was at Antiochia in Syria, where Paul refisted him to his face, Gal. 2. All these things manifestly proue that the Apostle Peter was not at Rome at such time as any of these three, viz. Tiberius, Caligula and Claudius were Emperors; but either in Ierusalem, or else at Antiochia in Syria.

Secondly, it may axactly bee made euident out of the holy, Scriptures, that Peter was not at Rome in the time of Nero. For in the fecond yeare of Nero, Panl wrote his Epistleto the Romans, and sent it from Corinth by the hand of Phebe: in which Epistle he saluted all his friends which he had in that citie, by name, as by the conclusion of the Epistle more plainely appeareth; but there is no mention of the Apostle Peter, who (if that at time Bi-

shop of that place) surely should not have bin omitted. Also in the fift yeare of Nero, Paul being then in prison at Rome, wrot his Epistles to the Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and to Philemon; and in the conclusion of these Epistles he expressely nameth all his friends that he had in Rome, yet makes no mention of Feter. And when he was the second time in prison under Ne-10, in the last yeare of the reigne of this Emperour, hee wrot from Rome his second Epistle to Timothy, beeing a little before his death, at the end of which Epistle he plainly shewes that he had no companion there but Luke, 2 Tim. 4. From whence it is manifest, that Peter during all the pilgrimage and life of Paul, was neuer at Rome: how then can it possible be, that Peter should be bishop of Rome for the space of almost 26 yeares? Truly there are many learned men, and they also of great judgement, which hold this opinion false, and vtterly repugnant to holy Scripture, neither can be proued by any good Authors or histories. But if Peter were euer at Rome, hee came thither after the last imprisonment of Paul, and a few daies before his martyrdom. Because (as Onuphrius faith, in Comment fast lib. 2. also Euseb lib. 2. cap. 22. and Ter. tul.cont. Marcion.) Peter and Paul in the 35 yeare after the refurrethion of Christ, and vpon the third day of the Calends of July (C. Fonteius Capitonius & C. Iulius Rufus being then Consuls of Rome) were crowned with the Wreath of martyrdome, and with their bloud sealed the truth of the Gospel. But there are others of opinion that Peter neuer came at Rome, but that he was crucified at Ierusalem by King Agrippa's command; others say at Babylon. But because it is a thing doubtfull, and not greatly materiall, I leave it to the Readers confideration.

¶ Of the Townes and places to which he tranelled.

of Samaria.

BEcause I have before briefly intreated of the beginning and foundation of this city, I shal not need here against to repeat it. I will now therefore shew the end of it, which was principally caused by the obstinacie of the inhabitants: who refusing the do-

ctrine and prophecy of *Elias* and *Elizeus*, imbraced and followed ftrange gods, and offered incenfe vnto idols; whereby the wrath of God was kindled against them, infomuch that hee left this goodly city as a prey to the Gentiles and forreine nations, that carried the people thereof into captiuitie, where for a long time

they remained in great miserie.

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After the first desolation, because the countrey round about this citie was very fertile and pleasant, abounding with springs, riuers, vines, oliue gardens, mountaines, fruitfull valleyes, faire cities, and strong castles and townes, Herod Ascalonites (that great King of the Iewes, who put to death the innocent children) reedified it, set vp many goodly buildings beautified with marble pillars and pleasant walkes : and also in the circuit of the Kings house, and under the buildings of the nobilitie in the common Market place, the houses and vaults were supported with marble pillars, according to the maner of the Iewes. The pallace (callled the K. house, stood in the midst of the citie, upon the top of the mountain: and round about it there were divers other buildings fet vp, but much lower, euen about the descent of the mountaine: yet so scituated, that the inhabitants might see out of their houfes the country round about. Then close to the pallace in thevpper part of the citie, he caused a temple to be built in honor of Anguftus. Thus having finished the inside, he compast it about with a mighty wall, and upon that placed many turrets: & then to flatter Augustus, called it by the name of Sebasten, which among the Grecians signifies Augustum & venerabile principem now although this citie was very glorious and spatious in those times (for it was three miles about) yet at this day it is veterly ruined & destroied, infomuch, that there is not a house standing, two Churches only excepted, which were built in honour of S. Iohn Baptist: and the chief of these, which was the Cathedrall Church, the Saracens have converted to their vse, so that at this day Mahomet is worshipt in it. In this stood the Sepulchre of S. John Baptist, cut out in marble, like the sepulchre of Christ, where (as Hierom faith) he lieth buried between Elisha & Obediah the Prophets. This church stands upon the side of the mountaine, in the descent.

The Saracens do principally reverence S. Iohn Baptist next af-

ter Christ, and they affirm the virgin Mary to have conceived by the holy Spirit, and not by the seed of man: That S. Iohn was the greatest prophet (except Christ) that ever was. They also beleeve Christ to be the son of God, but not to be equall with God. Yet they prefer Mahomet before both, because they hold him a melfenger sent of God, not vnto all men, but onely vnto the Saracens and Turks, and their subjects.

The Trauels of Peter.

The other Church which stood in Samaria, was upon the top of the mountain which somtimes the Kings palace stood. In this Church in times pass there dwelt certain Grecian Monks, which were Christians, and entertained Christian Pilgrims with great

humanitie, and furnished them with many necessaries.

But the city of Samaria it selfe hath bin so often ouerthrown, and brought to such extreme miserie, that almost all the ground where it stood is at this time converted into an Olive garden. So that as that wicked King Abab turned the Vineyard of Naboth which stood close by his house, into an olive garden; so God in his singular justice hath turned the palace of that King, & the whole city wherein he dwelt, which was the strength of his kingdome, into an olive garden. There are not so many ruins sound through all the land of Iudæa (though there have bin many worthy cities destroyed) as are in this place at this day. The scituation of this city was very beautifull, for a man might have seen from it to the sea of Ioppa and Antipatris; also to Cæsarea Palestina, & thorow al the mountain of Ephraim, to Ramatha Sophim, & so to mount Carmel and the city of Ptolomais.

Of Lidda.

This city was scituated not far from Ioppa, vpon the shore of the Mediterranian sea, 20 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. In this city Peter healed Eneas, who had bin sick 8 years of the palsie. At this day there is nothing to be seen but the Church of S. George, who was beheaded by the Emperour Dioclesian, for professing the Christian faith. The Grecians call this town Diospolis, i.an holy Town. And the Turks account S. George for a valiant Knight and holy man.

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Of Cafarea Strato.

His city was seituated vponthe shore of the Mediterranian I fea, some 32 miles from Ierusalem Northward: in antient time it was called Strato, being first built by Strato King of Svdon. But time having decayed a great part of it, Herod Ascalonita repaired it, and made it a goodly thing, calling it Cæsarea, after the name of Augustus Casar. And that ships might lie at anchor there without danger, he caused to be builded a fair hauen to oppose the violence of the sea. This hauen was so wonderfully contriued, and fet vp at fuch a great charge, that it was admirable to looke vpon; for he laid the foundation of it twenty yards vnder water, burying in the Deepe stones of an extraordinarie greatnesse, some fifty foot long, eight foot thicke, and ten foot broad, and many of them more. The Hauen it selfe was beautified with faire buildings and goodly Walkes, supported with marble Pillars, and mounted up aloft, fo that you might fee the ships as they were vpon the sea, and made way to this harbor. The entrance into it was upon the North, at the mouth thereof there stood three mighty Colosses vpon marble pillars. Hee also placed vpon the wall of the City towards the Hauen mighty Towers, the chiefest and fairest of which he dedicated to Drusus, Augustus his son in law, and called it by the name of the Drusian tower. The buildings that iouned to this Hauen were all of white polished marble, and the streets of the City were directly towards it. Also the Market-place where they bought and fold was not farre from it. Vpon a little hill close by this Port he caused a Church tobe built in honour of Augustus Cafar. This Temple was a very magnificent and stately building, and in it hee caused the Statue of Augustus (curiously wrought and cast just in the figure of Jupiter Olympius) to be erected, and worshipped it as his god. There are many other stately and sumptuous buildings that were set up by this King. But among & the rest, he bestowed great cost vpon the market place, the Theatre, and the Amphitheatre, which hee wonderfully beautified, and instituted certaine Games to be there vsed once every fifth yeare in honour of Augustus, as Ioseph.

Issep. de Bell. Iud. li. I. witnesseth. After the death of this king, Herod Agrippa was made King of the Iewes. This Prince some ten veares after the refurrection of Christ caused Iames the son of Zebedeus vpon the 25 day of July to be put to death in Ierusalem: and when he perceived it was acceptable vnto the Iews, in the following yeare about the feast of the Passeouer hee caused Peter to be cast into prison; who by the prayers of the Church was miraculoufly deliuered, as you may reade Acts 12. A little after, that is, about the moneth of August, this King was strook by the Angel of the Lord, and died miserably: for when he came to Cæsarea Strato he caused the publique shewes to be solemnly practifed, and in honor of Claudius Cafar fet forth very fumptuous interludes and playes; to which feast and shewes all the Nobility and Gentry of that countrey round about reforted. Where the next day very early in the morning, having put on a rich and goodly garment made all of cloath of gold, he went into the theatre, and there according to his viual custome sate in a princely seat, and made an oration to the inhabitants of Tyre. Now when the funne was vp and shone vpon his garments, the raies thereof cast such a reflection vpon the beholders, that it dazled their eies, infomuch that they could scarce see. Wherefore those that were his flatterers, hearing his gratious speech, cried with a loud voice. O Agrippa be propitious visto vs. for although beretofore we feared thee as aman. get now we well perceive thou art of a more noble and Divine nature. But when the King (taking delight in these speeches) would not restrain the impious clamour of these flatterers, a little after he lifted up his head, and upon the top of a pillar he saw an Owle sitting ouer him. Presently he was troubled in his minde, and within a while after hee was strooke with an extreme paine in his bowels, infomuch that with a loud voice he cried out vnto his friends, I whom but now was called your god, am but a man; and him that you imagined to be immortall, must presently die. These words being ended, they caried him fick into his palace, and it was given out that he was dead.

No fooner came this newes to the eares of the vulgar, but they with their wives and children put on fack-cloath, and fell vpon

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the ground with earnest supplications to God to bee mercifull vato him. But the King looking out of his window and feeing them lie thus prostrate vpon the earth, wailing and weeping, he could not abitain from teares. At the length after he had beene cruelly tormented by the space of soure dayes, vpon the fift dyed. beeing the fecond of August, the wormes having consumed his guts, and eaten through his body. Thus God grieuoully punished him, who had so much afflicted the members of the Church of Christ: but towards other men, as well strangers as Gentiles, hee was milde and courteous. He raigned in the whole almost feuen yeares; for he held the Tetrarchy of Philip three yeares vnder Caligula, and other foure yeares he held the whole kingdome of the Iewes. He died in the eleventh yeare after the refurrection, and in the third of Claudius Cafar, being then about 54 yeres of age, Att.

22. Ioseph. Antiq.lib.19. Plinie faith that this towne of Cæsaria Strato, was sometime called Apollonia, but after obtained the name of Cæsarea Pale-Aina. Saint Ierome faith in his Epitaph vpon Paul, that in his time (which was 400 yeares after Christ) there was to be seene in this place the house of Cornelius the Centurion, whom Peter baptized, Ad. 10. (This Cornelius is thought by some to have been of the family of the Lentuli in Rome, for they were also called Cornelij, as appeareth in Salust in the conspiracy of Cataline: & it may be that this Cornelius was that Lentulus which wrot to Tiberius Cafur that excellent Epistle, concerning the figure, proportion, and person of our Lord and Sauior Iesus Christ.) Also the house of Philip the deacon, and the chambers of his foure daughters who were Prophetesses. When Paul came vnto this towne, Agabus the Prophet came vnto him, who bound his hands and feet with the girdle of Paul, faying. The man that oweth this girdle shal be thus bound by the Iewes at verusalem, and they shall deliner him into the hands of the Gentiles. Here he made a notable fermon before Festus, Agrippa Inmior, and his fifter Bernice, Act. 16.

This towne flourished for a long time after the destruction of Ierusalem, and it was scituated in a faire and profitable place, fortified towards the West with the Mediterranean sea, and

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towards the East it was compassed about with a lake, in which were great aboundance of Crocodiles, though the water was very fweet, and of a great depth. Many godly and religious men were here crowned with the wreath of martyrdome, for professing the Gospel of Christ, as Eusebius Bishop of this town and of Pamphilius well observeth in his Eccles Hist. But the Lord did so sharply revenge the death of these men, that at this day it is veterly destroicd, and there is not a house left, though in times past it had been a Bishops See. There was also another town built by Philip the Tetrarch, called Cæsarea Philippi, whereof you may reade before.

Of Toppa.

Oncerning this towne I have already shewed many things in the Travels of Ionas, but omitted some, specified by Britten. bach and D' Ranwolfe, who have described the holy land as it was in the yeare of our Lord 1575, which Authors affirme that there is seen a great chain of iron fastned to a certain rock, to the which ships that lay in that harbor were somtimes tied. Also the chain wherewith Andromeda was fast bound to a stone, when she should have bin devoured of the sea monster. Also they say that there is a Chappell at this day built vp in the place where sometime the house of Simon the Tanner stood, who gave entertainment to Peter, standing by a rock close by the sea side, and dedicated to saint Peter. But for the rest of the town (although formerly it hath bin agoodly city) it is veterly destroied, nothing standing but a part of the wall, & two castles vpon the hauen to defend such as come thither with thips from the injuries & incursions of Pagans and Saracens.

Of Babylon in Egypt.

Abylon signifieth Confusion, as you may read before. There were two Cities of this name; the one was in Chaldaa, and the other in Ægypt. That in Chaldaa was scituated vpon the river Euphrates; and this vpon the river Nilus, which was 244 miles from Ierusalem toward the Southwest, & called in the Arabian tongue Alcair, or Cair, whether you please, which also figni-Ii 4

fignifieth Confusion. Concerning both which cities you may reade more at large in their former description. From this towne it is credibly thought (and not from that towns which food in Chaldaa) Peter wrot his first Epistle, as the circumstances of the historie doe euidently declare: for that Babylon which stood in Chaldea was in the time of Peter vtterly destroyed; but then this Babylon was had in great estimation. About this time also Mark who was the disciple of Peter, was the first Bishop of Alexandria, as you may reade in the end of his first Epistle. Wherefore that opinion which some would have to passe for truth, that Peter wrot his first Epistle from Rome, calling it allegorically Babylon, is vtterly to be condemned, fince there is none who can certainely proue that conjecture neither is it grounded vpon any firm foundation; for although Babylon in the Reuelation of S. John (because it was a secret prophecie) was allegorically vsed; yet in a plaine and manifest historie such kinde of Allegories are not allowed. From whence may be concluded, that S. Peter wrothis first Epi-Ale from this Babylon, not from Rome.

The Travels of Saint Iohn, with the Annotation of the Times wherein he lived.

Tohn the Evangelist and Apostle of our Lord Iesus Christ, was horne in the tenth yeare after the nativitie of our Sauion and was made his Disciple when he was 21 years of age. He saw the miracle of Christ when hee changed the Water into Wine, Iohn cap.2. In the yeare following, viz. in the 22 yeare of his age, hee was taken into the number of the twelue Apostles, Luke 6. Mar. 3. After that, in the three and twentieth yeare of his age he faw the transfiguration of Christ in mount Thabor: and when hee was foure and twenty yeares of age he stood under the Crosse of our Sauiour Christ; and the same yere a little after Christs Ascention, he with the rest of the Apostles received the gift of the holy-Ghost, being then the feast of Penticost, which fell about the foure foure and twentieth day of May in the same yere he was cast into prison with Peter, for healing the lame man, Acts 3.4. Thus much of his youth.

About the middle of the first yeare after our Sauiour Christs ascention (10hn being then 25 years old) was sent with Peter from the city of Ierusalem to Samaria, 32 miles.

From Samaria he returned back again to Ierusalem, 32 miles, and as he returned preached the gospel of Christ in divers towns of the Samaritans, Acts 8.

Mary the mother of our Lord being now 59 yeares of age, died in the twelfth yere after the refurrection of Christ, and was buried by Iohn the Evangelist in the garden of Gethsemene, Iohn becing then 25 yeares old. Foure yeares after her death hee was presentat the Apostolical Councel in Ierusaem. Now Iames his brother, who was called the Elder, was beheaded two yeares before; for this Councel was celebrated in the presence of Iames the yonger, Peter, Iohn, Paul and Barnabas, &c. about fixteene yeares after the refurrection of Christ, and 14 after the conversion of Paul, Gal.2.

Before the destruction of Ierusalem, which hapned about the 61 yeare of his age, and 38 after Christs ascention, John went from Ierusalem, and came to Ephesus, 544 miles, where after the death of the Apostle Paul hee gouerned the Churches of Asia minor.

In the 86 yeare of his age, beeing cast into a Vessell of boiling. oile, and comming out vnhurt, by the command of Domitian the Emperor he was banished into the Isle of Pathmos, distant from Ephesus 40 miles. There he wrot his Revelation to the 7 churches in Asia minor, whereof you may reade Apoc, 1.

From Pathmos hee returned to Ierufalem, which was fortie miles, being then 88 yeares of age, and there he raised Drusana from death to life. After this, he gouerned the Churches in Asia foure years, that is, from the gouernment of Nero the Emperour, vato the fourth yeare of the gouernment of Trajan the Emperor, and called the yong man to repentance which was of the Socie-

tie of theeues: at length he died at Ephelus when he was 91 yeres old, An. Dom. 100. as S. Ierom and Nicephorus li. 2. ca. 32. Gblerue. So all his trauels were 688 miles.

The testimony of the Fathers concerning Iohn.

He testimonies of the holy sathers that are yet extant concerning Iohn, are these: In Euseb. li. 3.c. 1.18.20.3. you may read the history concerning the conversion of the yong man from the company of theeues. Irenews witnesset the same, li. 2. ca. 23. In Irenews also, li. 3. ca. 23. you may reade the history of Cerinthus, and how that Iohn lived vntill the time of Trajan the Emperour. Also li. 3. ca. 11. hee saith, that the Gospel of S. Iohn was written because of the blasphemy of Cerinthus.

The description of the townes and places to which Iohn trauelled.

Of Ephesus.

His was the metropolitan city of Ionia, scituated in Asia minor, 544 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. It was built (faith Strabo) by Androclus the fon of Codrus king of Athens, in the time of Danid King of Ifrael, and because of the beautifull scituation and sertilitie of the soile called Ephesus: in suture Ages growing into such credit and estimation, that it was mightily encreased, and became one of the most famous mart townes in all Asia; but it stood somewhat low, so that the sea brake in vpon it and drowned it, and many of the inhabitants perished. Neuerthelesse Lysimachus K. of Thrace built it vp again in the place where now it stands, and called it Arsinoës, after his wives name. But he being dead, it was againe called by the antient name Ephelus. There were many worthy menthat lived in it, as Heraclitus, Scotinus, and Hermadorus, who for his excellent understanding & singular honestie was banished. Hipponachus also the Poet, Perrhasius & Apelles the Painters, Alexander the orator, and Theodotio a Iew, who interpreted the Bible. It was in antient times inhabited by the Amazons,

Amazons, whose queen kept her court there, and wonderfully increased and adorned it with faire and beautifull buildings. Here also that notable Temple dedicated to Diana, which as Stra, faith li.14. Plin.li.36.ca.14. was 220 yeares a building. It stood vpon moorish ground to avoid the danger of earthquakes. There were in it 127 pillars, erected by so many Kings; among which there were 36 that were curiously fieled, and artificially carned and ingrauen: it was 425 foot long, & 120 broad. There were so many gifts & gratuities fent from all the cities and kings round about. toward the building of this Temple, that the riches and treasure thereof was wonderfull; infomuch that when it was finished, it was accounted one of the stateliest buildings the world could afford, and numbered among st the wonders of the world. This temple thus built at fuch an extraordinarie charge that it was almost vnvaluable, was set on fire by one Herostratus a wicked & peruerse fellow (in the same Olympiad and day that Alexander the Great was borne) who having nothing in him that might make him famous in after-ages, burnt this goodly building, that so (though not for his good, but for his euill) he might get a name. But the Ephesians were so insenced because of this mischiefe, that they procured proclamation to bee made through all the kingdomes round about, that his name should not be once mentioned: which perhaps for a time was observed, but in future ages they could not preuent it, but that he was both spoken of & written of. Notwithstanding afterward the inhabitants of this City became so exceeding wealthy, that they foon after rebuilt this temple of Diana, and made it much fairer than it was before; all the Citisens contributing with willing hands to the charge of the building: infomuch that the women brought all their filuer, gold, and other pretious ornaments, and communicated them towards this great worke.

Also in after-times those faire pillars before spoken of, were againe ere &ed; towards the rebuilding whereof they received so many and wonderfull gifts, from all the neighbouring Kings, Cities, and Countries, that this Temple might (as it was thought) compare

Of Pathmos.

His is an Isle of the Ægean sea, scituated betwixt Asia minor & Grecia, 2080 miles from lerusalem Northwestward. Pli.1.4.c.12. faith that it was 30 miles in compasse. Into this Isle the Evangelist was banished by Domitian Nero, where he wrot his Revelation. It was one of the Cyclad Islands, which were 53 in number that lay round about the Island Delus, as Stra. li, 10. Geog. obserues. It stood 40 miles from Ephesus Southwestward, and as Petr. Apianus faith, was fomtimes called Posidius, but now, Palmola.

Of Smyrna.

His is the second city to which Iohn dedicated his Revelati-1 on. It was scituated in Ionia in Asia minor, 540 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. This was a very faire city, beautified with many goodly buildings, and of good account in Grecia. It was at first but a Colony, transplanted from another city in that country. But Thefeus that great prince beeing then King thereof, that he might adde fome grace to that which hee had begun, hee called it after his wives name Smyrna, fignifying Myrrh. Herod. faith that Homer was born here (but not blind) and called by the name of Melisigines: but after the Cumanians called him (of his blindnesse) Homer. Strab.li. 14. Geogr. saith, That the inhabitants: take vpon them to shew his picture standing there, & also a templebuilt in his honour. During his life he was a man of small or no reputation, or rather contemned than honored, as Herod. faith. But after his death his works beginning to grow famous, the Cities of Greece contended who should patronise him. The Colophonians claim a part in him, because he was in that towne, and there made some of his Odysses. They of Chios say he belonged to them, because he lived there a long time, and taught schoole. But for ought that can bee found by Authours, the Smyrnians haue most interest in him. Neuerthelesse I leave him to them that please to patronise him, since it is not certainly found where hec lived. He lived about 900 yeares before Christ. Eu Cebius

compare with all the world beside for riches and treasure. It was standing in S. Pauls time, who came thither about 12 yeares after the refurrection of our Sauior, and continued there three yeares. in which time he fo faithfully and diligently preached the Gofpell, that he converted most of the Citisens, from their idolatry and worship of Diana, to the reuerend knowledge and confession of our blessed Sauior. For which cause Demetrins the silver smith (who made a great gain by idolatry) stirred up a great tumult: fo that the Gentiles running up and down the City for two houres space, cried out with a loud voice, Great is Diana of the Ephelians, Acts 19. Here also Paul fought with beasts, 1 Cor. 15. And to this city Paul wrot his Epistle, and sent it from Rome, 996 miles. He made Timothy also a Bishop of this city, to whom he wrot two E. pistles; the first was sent him from Laodicea to Phrygia, beeing 280 miles: the second from Rome, as I said. By these Epistles Timothy was greatly comforted, and taught them to his disciples and auditors, that so they might constantly continue & perseuer in the Christian faith and religion to the end. To conclude, John the Evangelist came also to Ephesus, & wrot his Gospel against the heretick Cerinthus, who denied Christ to be the true God; for which cause God grieuously punished him, so that he died as hee was bathing himselfe in a bath, Irenaus, lib. 5.ca. 2. Euseb. li. 3.c. 22. This was the first Church to which Iohn wrot his Revelation; and there when he returned out of Pathmos he raised his host Drusa. ns from death to life. So when he had gouerned the churches in Asia 30 yeares, after the death of Paul hee died, when hee was 91 yeares old, and was honorably buried at Ephefus not far from the city. There was also another Iohn that lived in Ephesus, to whom (as many think) the Epistles of Iohn the Evangelist were dedicated, as lerom sheweth in his catalogue of Ecclesiastical Writers. The sepulchre of this man is shewed not far from the Sepulchre of S. John the Evangelist, as Euseb. witnesseth, lib. 3. cap. 31. At this day this city is named Figlo ho Ephelo. See Gefner.

Eusebius faith, Hist. Eccles lib. 4. cap. 14. that in after times this city grew very famous, and was so much inlarged that it became a Bishops See, whereof Polycarpus a very godly and religious man was Bishop. He gouerned the Church in that place at such time as Iohn the Evangelist wrot his Revelation, and by him, cap. 2. is called the Angell of the Church of Smyrna. This man after he had faithfully preached the Gospell for the space of 86 yeares, was by the inhabitants thereof condemned to death for the profession of Christ, Anno 170. But the towne of Smyrna because of the vnthankfulnesse and crueltie of the inhabitants was grieuously punished, for within ten yeares it was cast downe by an earthquake, fince which time it was hardly rebuilt again. The river Pactolus which beginneth in Lydia, runneth by this town of Smyrna. But the inhabitants, because of the golden veins that are found therein, call it Cryforrhoas, Plin. lib. 5. cap. 29. A little after that, there was such an extreme plague hapned in Rome, that they were constrained to carry out the dead bodies in carrs. Thus God turneth the aire and the earth to the confusion of those that persecute his Church.

Of Pergamus.

His was another of the townes whereto Iohn wrot his Reuela-L tion. It was a famous city, and metropolitan of Mysia, scituated in Asia minor, 228 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. It stood vpon a high rock close by the river Caicus, from whence it was called Pergamus. For in antient times all famous and notable places were called amongst the Græcians Pergama, as Suidas and Servius observeth. Strabo, lib. 13. saith, That in the time of Lysimachus the sonne of Agathocles (who was one of the succesfours of Alexander the Great) it was but a castle; in which place because of the strength of it, he viually kept all his treasures, and those things that were of account and committed the custody of it vnto one named Philetarus, an Eunuch of Tyanus. But this man being accused to Lysimachus, That he would have forced his wife Arsinoës, for seare of some suture punishment because of that offence, moued the inhabitants of that Hold to rebellion. At the

the same time also there happened many commotions in Asia, whereby Lysimachus was constrained to leave this, and make opposition against Seleucus Nicanor, who had inuaded his dominions. But in this war Lyfimachus was flaine. And Philetarus having in his possession great riches, that hee might enjoy what hee had, was alwayes observant to him that gat the victorie, by which meanes he kept himselfe and his riches for the space of 20 yeares in that castle; and then dyed, and left all his wealth to Eumenes his brothers fonne, who inlarged his gouernment, and ouercame Antiochlus the sonne of Seleucus. This man after hee had raigned 32 yeares dyed, and Attalus his some succeeded him in the Gouerment, who having conquered Galatia made a league with the Romans, and by them was first called by the name of a King. After him succeeded his son Eumenes the second of that name, who aided the Romanes against Antiochus magnus King of Syria; for which service the Romans gave him all the dominions that Antiochus had on this side the Alps. This man was the first that enlarged the castle of Pergamus, and made it a goodly city, planting round about it a thick wood or grove, and called it Nicephorus. And after he had reigned 49 yeares he died, and left his kingdom to his fon Attalus, called Philometor. This Attalus after hee had done many notable exploits, died without iffue, when hee had reigned 5 yeares, and left his kingdome to the Romans, who turned it into a prouince.

There lived in this town many learned men, as Galen the Phyfitian, who was famous in the time of Trajan the Emperor, and (as the fame went) lived 140 yeares. Of that town also was Apolodorus the Rhetoritian, who was schoole master to Angustus Casar, of which man the Apollodorean sect tooke name, and Dionysins Atticus his scholer. Here Antipas was crowned with the Wreath of martyrdome.

To the Bishop of this Towne Iohn wrot his Reuelation, and in the second Chapter thereof sharpely reprehended him, because he bore with the sect of the Nicholaitans, which although it lasted not long, vet it was very dangerous. Eusebias saith, That Nicholaus one of the seuen Deacons for the poore at Antiochia, of whom you may reade, Ast. cap. 6. was the sirst author of this sect:

yet Clem. Alexand. cleares him of it, laying that offence rather on certaine idle persons, that misconstruing his words, being given ouer to vile assections, covered their euils under his name, calling themselves Nicolaits, though indeed he had no hand in it, but lived and died honestly.

The opinion that this Sect held (as Euseb. saith, li. 3. ca. 23. and Ireneus, libr. 1. Chap. 27.) was, That women were to be common, That it was law ful to eat meat offered to Idols; That fornication and Adultery was no sin: beside many other wicked and peruerse opinions concerning the Deity, which would be too tedious to recite in this place. You may read more of it in Eusebius and Tatullian.

Of Thyatira.

His was the fourth church to which Iohn wrot his Renelation: it was scituated close by the river Caicus, vpon the borders of Mysia and Lydia, 600 miles from Ierusalem Northeastward. It was a very faire city in Asia minor, yet subject to the Lydians. In this country Lidda was born, that dwelt at Philippa, and gave entertainment to Paul and Sylas, Acts 16. Philippa was distant from this town 400 miles. It was at first called (according to the testimony of Stephen) Pelopea and Semiramis. But after Selencus Nicanor K. of Syria (making war vpon Lysimachus king of Thrace) comming to this towne, had newes that his wise had bore him a daughter, in honor whereof he would needs have the town called Thugateira, which in Greeke signifies a daughter; but Thyatira, Divine reverence.

of Sardis.

To this city also S. Iohnwrot his Revelation. It was a famous and princely feat, scituated in Asia not farre from the mountaine Tmolus, where Cræsus King of the Lydians kept his court, being 536 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northwest. It was so called (without doubt) of Sardus the sonne of Hercules, which maketh Sardis in the plural number. Of this Towne were those two Diodories which were Oratours. The younger of them did write Histories and Poems, and was one of Strabo's great friends.

Close by this Towne is found a precious stone, which after the townes name is called Sardis: it is of a slessly colour, and therefore is commonly called Carnalia; of which you may reade more in Pliny, 16 37.64p.4.

Of Philadelphia.

Saint tohn also wrote his Reuelation to this city. It was seituated in Mysia a countrie in Asia Minor; being 450 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northwest. This city is so often troubled with Earthquakes, that the inhabitants are many times constrained to dwell in the open fields. Upon the East side thereof lies adry and barren country, which seemeth to be burnt and scorcht with heat, being 60 miles long, and 48 miles broad; where there grows no trees, but there are sound great plenty of grapes, which being press year year are found great plenty of grapes, which best of those parts. The superfices of the earth seemeth like ashes, mountany, stony, and blackermany conjecture the cause therof to be by reason of the great thunders and lightning that they have there, but there are some which give other reasons for it. It was called Philadelphia of Astolus Philodelphias who first built it.

Of Laodicea.

His was the seuenth and last Citie that Iohn directed his A Reuelation to. It stood close by the river Lycus in Caria, a country in Asia the lesse, fine hundred and twentie miles from lerusalem towards the Northwest; and is likewise oftentimes troubled with Earthquakes, as Sardis Magnesia and Philadelphia are. The reason of these often Earthquakes is thought to be, because there are vaults and hollow caues under the earth, into which the aire (in the time of heat) having free entrance, then clofeth vp againe so that it can find no passage out; it striueth with continuall motion to make way through the earth, by which meanes the earth trembleth and shaketh: and looke how much the deeper these vaults are under the earth, so much the more violent are the Earthquakes; by which means, cities are oftentimes vtterly ouerthrowne and ruined, sometimes the earth sinketh and ponds and rivers are swallowed vp. Ic

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It was at first called Diospolis, that is, the city of supiter; then Rhoas; and lastly, it obtained the name of Laodicea. And although at the beginning it was but a small town, yet by reason of the fertilitie of the soile, and pleasant scituation, it of a sudden became a faire citie, beautisted with many faire and goodly houses, wherein there dwelt many wealthie citizens, so that for their nobilitie and worthinesse it was accounted the most samous towne in all Asia. Here Hiero dwelt who divided his inheritance among the citizens, and over and above he gave them two thousand talents of gold, besides many other gifts and gratuities to adorne and beautistie the citie. After him there lived Zeno the Orator, and Polemon his sonne; who for his noble acts was sirst by Antonio, and then by Angustus Casar, honored with the dignitic of a King, as Strabo witnesseth, lib. 12.

This Laodicea, Colossis, and Hieropolis where the Apostle Philip was crucified, were sunk by an earthquake, about the tenth yeare of Nero, and a little before the Martyrdome of Paul. There were three cities called after this name; that is, this which stood in Caria (to which Paul neuer came; as appeareth in the second chapter to the Collossians;) a second stood in Phrigia, where Paul wrote his Epistle to Timothy; and a third in Syria, neere ro Antiochia, Seleucia, and Apamea.

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The Tranels of Philip.

Han a little after the martyrdome of Stephen (which hapned in the Moneth of Ianuary, thirtie and fine yeares after the natinitie of Christ) Philip which one of the seauen Deacons with Stephen, Asts 6. went from Ierusalem to Samaria, which was thirtie and two miles: and in many Cities of the Samaritans preached the Gospell, and did many miracles; at which time he converted Simon Mague, Asts 8.

From Samaria he went to Bethzur, which was scituated for the and source miles rowards the South: here Philip haptised the Ethiopi na howa Queene Candaces Eunuch. And suddenly he was taken out of fight by the spirit of the Lord, and went to Azotus, which was 16 miles.

From thence preaching in all the cities as he went, he came to Czsarea Strato, which was 44 miles. So all his Trauels were 136 miles.

Concerning the townes and places mentioned in his Trauels, you may reade of them in feuerall places mentioned before.

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The Tranels of the Athiopian which was Eunuch to Queene Candaces, who kept her court in Saba.

Rom Saba or Meroe in Æthiopia, this Eunuch came to Ierufalem, which was about 964 miles, AEIs 4.

From Ierusalem he came to the towne of Bethzur, which was 12 miles: here he was baptised by *Philip* in the Moneth of Ianuary, the next yeare after the resurrection of Christ.

From thence he returned to Saba in Æthiopia, which was 952 miles. Soall his Trauels were 1928 miles.

of Saba.

This citie is before mentioned: and at this time when the Eunuch came to Ierusalem, Candaces gouerned it and a great part of Æthiopia, Tiberium Casar being then Emperour of Rome. Shee was a very warlike woman, but blinde of one eie, as Strabo saith, Lib. 16. and Plin. Lib. 6. cap. 29. In whose time the citie Saba was called Meroe; and the Queenes, for many successions, Candaces; because of the worthinesse of those Queenes which had beene of that name. This woman was very well beloued of her subjects; and was very gratious towards them, as Suidas saith. To this Queene the Eunuch which Philip baptised was chiefe Steward; and no doubt spread the Christian saith in many places of those parts.

An Introduction to the Trauels of Saint Paul.

Ow before I enter vpon the Trauels of the Apostle Paul, I though it fit to make a collection of all the Countries, I-flands and Cities wherein he taught: so that they which are skilfull in Geometrie or Cosmographie, might discerne their Longitudes, Latitudes, and seuerall distances, according to the degrees and scruples hereaster following.

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Laodicea Phrigiæ	63.40	39.40	Trogylion	57.15	37 40
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The Travels of the holy Apostle S. Paul, with an axact annotation of the times.

Paulwas borne at Tarlus in Cicilia, about the tenth yeare of the natiuitie of our Sauiour; and was neere about the age of S. Iohn the Euangelist, as the circumstances of Histories doe declare. After he grew to some bignesse, he was sent by his parents from thence to Ierusalem, being 304 miles; where he had not beene long brought up with Gamaliel (which signifies, The secompence of God) Asts 22. but he became the Disciple of Simon the just, Luke 2. Asts 5.

This Paul was of the Tribe of Benjamin, Phil. 2. 2 Cor. 11. and being yet but a young man, he was one of those that kept the garments of the holy Martyr S. Stephen, who was stoned about the end of the foure and thirtieth yeare after the natiuitie of Christ.

Acts 1. at which time also S. John the Euangelist was but foure and twentie yeares of age. If therefore you would observe the age of the Apostle Paul in this following discourse of his Trauels, deduct ten from the yeres after the nativitie of our Saviour Christ, and the remainder is his age. At his circumcission he was called Saul, that is, a mortall man: but when he was made the Apostle of the Gentiles, he was called Paul; of which name there was a noble family in Rome, so called because of the lownesse of their stature, and smalnesse of their body; as Carolus Sigonius observeth.

In the 35 yeare after the nativitie of Christ Paul was an inquisitor for private heresis, and a cruel persecutor of the Gospel. The next yeare he went from Ierusalem to Damascus in Syria, which was 160 miles: in which journey (about the 25 day of Ianuary) hewas converted; and vpon the 28 day of Ianuary was baptized by Ananias. So he staicd some sew daies in Damascus, and taught the Gospell of Christ, Acts 9.6 22.

In the same yere that he was converted, the Iewes & those that were enemies to the Gospell, went about by deceit to take his

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life; wherefore he went from Damascus to Arabia Petræa, which was 160 miles: here hee continued teaching the Gospell by the space of three yeares, that is, from the beginning of the 35 to the end of the 37 yeare after the Nativitie of Christ, Act. 9.

In the 38 yeare after the Nativitie of Christ he returned from Arabia Petræa and came to Damascus, which was 160 miles;

and there he diligently taught the Gospell of Christ.

But when in the same yeare Arata King of Arabia went about to put him fecretly to death, he was let down in a basket ouer the wall, and so went from Damascus to Ierusalem, which was 160 miles: and when hee came thither he brought Barnabas to the Apostles, and shewed them his conversion, and remained with Peter 15 daies preaching the Gospell. At this time he saw Iames the sonne of Alphens and brother of our Lord, Atts 9. 2 Cer. 11. Galat.I.

But when his adversaries that were at Ierusalem went about fecretly to put him to death, hee went from Ierusalem and was brought by the brethren to Cæsarea Strato, which was 32 miles,

Acts 9.

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About the 38 yere after the nativitie of Christ he went thence into Syria to Tarfus a citie of Cilicia, which was 272 miles:here he continued some yeares teaching the Gospell of Christ, Gal. I. 2 Cor.1 1.

In the 41 yeare after the nativitie of Christ, and about the seuenth yeare of his Ministrie, hee was brought by Barnabas from Tarfus to Antiochia in Syria, which was 120 miles. At this time and in this towne all those that beleeved in Christ began to bee called Christians, wheras before they were called Disciples and brothers, Adis 11. These things hapned in the eight yeare after the refurrection of Christ:about this time also Matthew wrote his Gospell, and Agabus prophesied of the universall dearth that should happen under Claudius, Acts 11.

In the 42 years after the nativitie of Christ, Paul being then at Antiochia, and about 32 yeres of age, was wrapt vp into the third heauen, 14 yeares before he wrote his fecond Epistle to the Co. minthians, 2 Cor. 12.

In the 43 yeare after the nativitie of Christ, the famine wher-

of Agabu prophecied, being now begun, hee went with the gifts of the Church from Antiochia to Ierusalem, which was 280 miles: this yeare Iames the elder was beheaded at the command of Agrippa, Acts 11.0 12.

In the 44 yeare after the nativitie of Christ, Paul and Barnabas with Peter, were deliuered out of prison by the Angell of the Lord. Now having distributed the gifts of the Church, hee returned in the company of Iohn Marke, from Ierusalem to Antiochia, which was 280 miles. So these trauels were 1928 miles.

Of the townes and places to which he travelled.

of Tarfus or Tharfus.

His was the Metropolis of Cilicia, scituated vpon the river of Cydnus, which beginning at Mount Taurus, runs thence through this towne into the Mediterranean sea. It was first built by Perseus King of the Persians, (whom the Poëts faigne to bee the sonne of Iupiter and Danae) & called Tharsus, of the Hyacinth stone, which, as it seemeth, is found thereabouts. It was distant from Ierusalem 304 miles towards the North; in antient time a goodly city; but through the injurie of the time, and inuafion of the enemy, much impaired, & lay almost ruined, til (as Strab. saith, li.14.) it was repaired by Sardanapalus that effeminat K. of the Affirians; of whom Tully remembreth this Epitaph, lib. 5. Tu scula:

> Hac habeo qua adi, quaq; exaturata libido, Hausit at illa jacent multa & praclara relicta.

What things I eat or fpend in fport and play; Those I enjoy, the rest I cast away.

From his time, untill the raigne of Darius the last king of the Perfians, it continued in great prosperity, and was become a maruek lous stately citie, the inhabitants therof being grownevery wealthy: but then Alexander the Great, making warre vpon that Prince, amongst others, brought his Army against this citie: but the citisens hearing of his notable exployts, durst not abide his com-

comming: therefore they fired the citie, left hee should make a prey of their riches, and fled : which when Alexander perceived. he gaue order to Parmenio with all possible speed to quench the fire, and faue the citie. In the meane time the King (being prest with an extraordinary thirst, by reason of the extreame heate that was in that country, the dust, and his long journie) put off his roi. all garments, and cast himselfe into the river Cydnus, which being a cold water comming out of the North, stroke the heat prefently inward, and so benummed his sinewes, that had it not been for the present helpe of his fouldiers, and the extraordinarie diligence and care of Philip his Phisitian, he had died immediately; notwithstanding, by the great prouidence of God, and the carefulnesse of his physician, hee recourred his dangerous sickenesse beyond the expectation of man; and after ouercame Darius in a sharpe and cruell warre, neere to a place called Isla, as you may reade before, See Plutarch in vita Alexand. and Quintus Curtius. From that time forward this citie grew to be very famous, and daily increased in statelinesse and faire buildings. And to adde more dignitie to it, there was a famous Academie, in which were many learned and rare Philosophers; in so much that they of Tharfus exceeded the Philosophers of Athens and Alexandria for learning and knowleged, though indeed for number of scholers and common refort they exceeded Tharfus.

Saint Paul was borne and brought up in this Towne, and here learned the knowledge of the tongues, Philosophie, and other good arts. Hee also perused the writings of Aratus, Epimenides, Menander, and other learned men, whose sayings are here and there dispersed through his Epistles. From thence he was sent to Ierusalem, where hee lived and was brought vp at the feet of Gamaliel, who was Prouoft of that Academy: and after, was conuerted to be an Apostle of Christ Iesus, as appeareth Acts 22. This towne at this day is subject to the Empire of the Turkes, and called by the name of Terassa; beeing neither so famous nor so faire a citie, as in the time when the Roman Empire flourished; for then, because of the extraordinary vertue of the citizens, it

was indowed with the libertie and freedome of Rome.

Of Damascus.

His was a metropolitan towne in Syria, distant from Ierufalem 160 miles towards the Northeast; being an ancient and faire citie, and, before such time as Antiochia was built, the head of all that kingdome. It was scituated in a faire and fruitfull place, close by the mountaine Libanus, which bringeth forth Frankincense, Ceders, Cypresse, and many odoriferous and sweet fmelling floures. There were many Kings that kept their court in it, as Hadad, Benhadad the first, Benhadad the second, Hasael, and others, who grieuously opposed the Kings of Israel in many sharpe and cruell warres, as you may reade before. The land round about it aboundeth with white and red Roses, Pomegranats, Almonds, Figges, and other sweet and pleasant fruits. In that place the Alablaster stone is found, very faire and cleere. The aire, pleasant and healthfull. The river called Chrysorrus, runneth close by it, in which there is found golden veines which yeelded perfect gold. The houses without are not very curious; but within, all of polished Marble and Alablaster guilt with resplendent gold, so artificially that it dazleth the beholders eies.

There was a certaine Florentine who revolted from the Christian faith, and obtained to be chiefe gouernour of this towne; in which he crected a strong and beautifull castle, which stood for the desence of it. No man can sufficiently expresse the beautie and glory of this citie: there is great traffique, and much refort of people to it, but especially of Turkes, Saracens, Mamalucks, and other kinds of Pagan people, who are preferred before the Christians in that government: and although there are many Christia ans in that place, yet they are constrained to indure great injurie by those Barbarians, because they are hated even to the death: and if any of them chance to die, they are buried in that place where Paul was converted. The inhabitants shew the place where Saint Paul was let downe ouer the wall in a basker; also the house of ananias, who cured the blindnesse of Paul, besides many other things that are memorable in that citie, of which you may reade in Sebestian Munster, Sebastian Frankus, Plin.lib. 5. and many other authors.

Of Arabia.

Many things are already spoken concerning this Countrey, as the division of the place; one called Petraa, the other Deferta, and the third, Fælix. Arabia Petras is so called from the Metropolitan citie thereof, called Petra, which is scituated forty miles from Ierusalem towards the South, and bordereth vpon Æ. gypt and India. It is also called Arabia Nabathea, as you may reade before. Paran and Sur are a part of it, compassing towards the hast the land of Iud a, and so extendeth to Damascus. This countrey is very full of rockes and stones, the chiefe citie Petra being scituated vpon a rocke, of which it taketh the name. Here standeth the mountaines. Horeb and Sinai; here the children of Ifrael trauelled when they went out of Ægypt; here is the Sardonix stone found; and the people of this countrey in times past were great Prophets and Astrologians; here also S. Paul taught the Gospell a little after his conversion, Gal. 1, at which time Aretas was King thereof, whose fifter was married to Herod the Tetrarch of Galile and Petræa; but he cast her off, and married He. redias his brother Philips wife, upon which there began a bloudy warre betweene Aretas and Herod, and a sharpe battell was fought neere to Gamala a citie beyond Iordan. And although the two Kings were not at this battell, yet by the treason and flight of the foldiers out of Tracones, (who without all question would have revenged the contempt done vnto their Lord Philip) the Arabian armie carried away a notable victory, as Islephus witnesseth, lib.antiq. 18.cap.9. Aretas fignifieth, An excellent man; which was a common name to the Kings of Arabia. It is to be thought that Damascus and all the Countrey round about was under the jurisdiction of this King; and that he ordained a Lieutenant or Generall in those parts, who would have taken Paul and put him to death Ads 9.2 Col.12.

The other part of Arabia is called by *Ptolomie*, *Deferta*; but Strabo calls it, Scenilio, because the inhabitants thereof are without buildings or Tents, and live like vagrants vp and downe the woods. This is compast in vpon the South with certaine mountaines

taines of Arabia Fælix; towards the North, it borders vpon Mefopotamia; and towards the West, vpon Petræa.

The third is called Arabia Fœlix, because of the fertilitie therof; for they have there every yeare two harvests, as they have in India, as Strabo observeth. See Plin. lib. 6. cap. 28.

Of Antiochia.

You may reade of this Towne before. It is faid that Luke the Euangelist was borne here. This man was by profession a Physicion, Colos. 4. and an inseparable companion to Paul in all his Trauels: he was of the number of the seuentie Disciples, as Epiphanius observeth. Tertullian saith in his fourth booke against Marcion, that Luke received his Gospell from the mouth of Paul: he lived till he was 84 yeares old, and then died, and lies buried at Constantinople, as S. Jerom saith; for his bones were removed out or Achaia thither.

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The second Trauels of the Apostle Paul, in the sompany of Barnabas.

In the eleuenth yeare after the nativitie of Christ, and in the foure and fortieth yeare of Paul, he and Barnabas was sent by the holy spirit from Antiochia in Syria to Seleucia, which was source and twenty miles.

From Seleucia they sailed to Salamais in Cyprus, which was

94 miles, AEts 13.

From thence they went to Paphos, which is in the same Isle where Sergius Paulus was connected, and Elymus the Magitian, who professing himselfe to bee the Messias and Sonne of God, was strucke with blindnesse, Ast. 13. this journey was 100 miles.

They loofing from Paphos, went by sea and land (the same yeare) to Pergamus a city of Pamphilia, scituated in Asia minor, which was 148 miles.

In the 45 yeare after the Nationitie of Christ, they went from Pergamus to Antiochia in Pissdia, which was 132 miles.

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From thence they went to Iconia, which was 96 miles; here they staied some time and converted many, Att. 13.6 14.

In the 46 yere after the nativitie of Christ, there being a great tumult raised in that countrey, lest the inhabitants should have stoned them, they fled thence to Lystra a city of Lyaconia, where Paul healed the lame man, which was 28 miles. The inhabitants feeing this miracle, worshipped them for gods, and called Barna. bas, Inpiter; and Paul, Mercurius; because he wrought the miracle. But not long after, certaine Iewes comming from Antiochia and Iconia, arrived in Listra, by whose perswasion the people stoned Paul, and supposing him to be dead carried him out of the citie: but when his Disciptes came vnto him, he rose vp and went into the towne, A. E. 14.

The next day they went to Derbe, a citie of Lyaconia, which

was 48 miles.

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From thence they returned backe agains to Lystra in the same

veare, which was 28 miles.

From Iconia they came to Antiochia in Pisidia, which was 16 miles:in this citie they comforted the Disciples.exhorting them that they should perseuere in their faith, For through many affli-Etions we must enter into the Kingdome of heaven. They also elected Elders in the Churches, so with fasting and praiers they commended them to the Lord in whom they beleeved.

In the 47 years after Christ, they went from Antiochia thorough all Pifidia, and came to Pergamus a citie in Pamphilia, which was 132 miles: here they preached the word of the Lord,

Acts 14.

From Pergamus in the following yeare they went downe to

the citie of Attalia, which was 26 miles.

In the 48 yere after the nativitie of Christ, they loosed thence and went to Antiochia in Syria, which was 340 miles, here they assembled the Church and shewed what wonderfull things the Lord had wrought by them, and how hee had opened the doore of faith vnto the Gentiles: in this place they staied a great space, Acts 14.

In the yeare following they went from Antiochia to Ierusalem(which was 280 miles) to the Apostolicall Councell, which was celebrated in that citie, Anno Dom. 49. and as they went they passed through Phoenicia and Samaria, and there declared the estate of the Church among the Gentiles, Acts 15.

The Travels of Paul.

From Ierusalem they (with Sylas and Indas, syrnamed Barlabas) went againe to Antiochia in Syria, which was 280 miles: here Paul opposed Peter for preaching vnto the Gentiles, Gal. 2. Sothese trauels of Paul were 1744 miles.

Of the townes and places to which he travelled.

Of Cyprus. BEcause you may reade of Seleucia before, I therfore willing-ly omit it, that I might speake more fully of Cyprus. This is a faire and spacious Isle, scituated in the Mediterranean sea in the gulph of Issa, bordering vpon Cilicia and Syria, distant 160 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, as Strabo saith, lib. 14. It is in compasse 428 miles, very fertile, powerfull and spacious for an Island. There inhabited in it in times past nine Kings, and (as Pliny faith, lib. 5. cap. 31.) called Macaria, or one of the happy Iflands: the inhabitants were given much vnto luxurie and venerie; from whence it hapned that Venus was greatly honoured amongst them. It is said that there are many pretious stones found in it, besides Crystal, Allum, and Cypresse wood which abounds in that place, from which it seemeth the Island was called Cyprus. There are also found many Symples that are Physical, much Sack comes thence and many other things necessarie for the life of man. Here also standeth the Mountaine Olympus, whose top feemeth to touch the heavens, from whence it taketh the name because there never lies any clouds upon it. Lucan, lib. 2. There are foure mountaines of this name; the one lyeth between Macedon and Thessalie; the other in Cyprus, the third amongst the Mysians, at the foot whereof Haniball built Prusa; and the fourth in Ethiopia, vpon the East side of Heliopolis.

There are many cities in this countrey, as Macaria, Cyprus or Cyrhera, after called Paphos, and now Baffa (in which there standeth such a famous Temple, that Venus of that is called Cypria and Cytherea) Nicosia, and Salamus now called Famagusta.

There have beene many and cruell sharpe warres betweene the Venetians and Turkes concerning this countrie, but at this day it is under the jurisdiction of the Turks; from whence they fetch great abundance of Pitch and Rosin for their ships and cables.

Of Salamais.

C Alamais, Salamin, or Salamina was one of the principal cities of Cyprus, and was distant from Ierusalem 1/96 miles towards the North; built by Teucer the sonne of Telamon, and scituated in the Eubeian sea just against Athens. The occasion why this town was built, hapned by reason of a discontent that grew betweene Teucer and his father Telamon: for Teucer returning from Troy (not having revenged the death of his brother Ajax) fo much incensed his father that he banished him his countrie, whereupon Teucer failed thence to Cyprus, where he built this citie, and because of the extraordinarie affection that he bore to the countrie where he was borne, called it by the name of Salamena, or Salamais. Saint Ierom faith, that there is a river of extraordinary hot water that runneth through a great part of this countrie; and that it was once ouercome by the Iewes, and vtterly ruined and destroied; but afterward repeopled and called by the name of Con. stantia. This towne at this day is called by the name of Famagusta, and was taken (with the whole Island of Cyprus) by Mustapha chiefe Captaine to Selimus the second, Emperour of the Turkes, An. Dom. 1570. Solon that notable and famous Philosopher was borne in this Towne. And Paul and Barnabas sailed out of Syria and lived in this Towne, Acts 31.

Of Paphos.

This Citie is scituated upon the shore of Cyprus, 212 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, and seemeth to take the name from Paphos the sonne of Pigmalion the Artificer. In this towne there stood a notable Temple, built by that Pigmalion in the honour of Venne; for that (as it seemeth by the Poets) hee was much given to women. Here Elimas that wicked Magician who (as some will have it) called himselfe the sonne of Iesus; as others,

the fonne of *Iebouah*, dwelt, whom the Lord by the hand of *Paul* frucke with blindnesse. Here also *Sergius Paulus* the Proconfull was converted.

It was in times past a goodly faire citie, as the ruines thereof testifie to this day; but now it is destroiced and almost desolate. There (as it is for the most part through that Island) the ayre is impure and vnwholsom, and the ruines of many goodly churches and buildings are to be seene; also the wals of a strong and almost impregnable tower scituated vpon a hill in the middle of the citie; and as may be thought, was sometime the habitation of sergim Paulus. There is also shown evader a certaine Church (which in antient times belonged vnto the brothers of the Minories (a certaine Prison divided into seven roomes, where Paul and Barnabas were imprisoned for preaching the Gospell. Here also vnder another Church is found a spring of very wholesome water, which is a present remedy for the Ague and Feuer. Here also is excellent Wine.

THE RESIDENCE TO THE Of Reran. DErga was a citie of Pamphilia, from whence Diana is called Pergea, because there was a notable Temple in that Towne which was dedicated to her. It is scituated in Asia the lesse, neere to Cheractus, as Ptolomais faith; but as Strabo faith, close by Cestria a faire and goodly river, 356 miles from Ierusalem towards the North. The countrey wherein this standeth is full of mountaines, extending from the mountaine Taurus (which beginneth in this place, abounding with Vines, Olives, and other fruits) vnto the sea. There are many faire and fruitfull pastures in it, and many goodly and beautifull cities; as Aspendius, Phaselis, & this Perga, befides many others needleffe to be named. There was vivally euery yeare a great feast kept here in honour of Diana; but Paul and Barnahas comming to this town, converted most of the inhabitants to the knowledge of God and of his sonne Christ Ie. leu, Alts 12.

Of Antiochia in Pissidia.

This was the chiefe citie in Pissidia, scituated in Asia minor, 460 miles from Ierusalem towards the North. S. Paul contented a great multitude in this towne to the faith of Christ.

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Of Iconium.

T Conium was one of the Metropolitan Cities of Lycaonia. 28 Pliny faith, lib.5. cap. 27. scituated not farre from the bowing of mount Taurus in Asia the lesse, as Strabo saith lib.12.420 miles from Ierusalem towards the North. In this citie Paul and Barna. bas continued a long time, and did many miracles, by which meanes a great multitude of the inhabitants were converted to the Christian faith, Atts 13.14. It is to this day a faire citie, and under the gouernment of the Turks, who woon it from the Princes of Caramanian. About 400 yeares before, there was a great battell fought close by this towne, betweene the Saracens and the armie of the Emperour Conradus the third, in which the Christians lost the day.

Of Lyftra.

His is a Citie in Lycaonia scituated in Asia the lesse, 436 miles from Ierusalem towards the North. In this Towne Timothy was borne, Acts 16.2 Tim. 3. In this citic Paul healed the Cripple and was stoned, Acts 14.2 Cor. 11.

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His alsowas a citie in Lycaonia scituated in Asia the lesse, 388 miles from Ierusalem towards the North, where Paul and Barnabus preached the Gospell, Acts 14.

Of Attalia.

Ttalia was a hauen Towne of Pamphilia, built by Attalue Philadelphae King of Pergamus, after whose name it was so called, as Strato observeth, lib. 14. being distant from Ierusalem 332 miles towards the North. Paul and Barnabas sailed out of Syria into this towne. At this day it is called Catalia.

The third Trauels of Paul in the company of Sylas.

TN the fifth yeare after the ascention of Christ Paul tooke vnto I him Sylas, and going through Syria and Cilicia, came to Derbe, which is 400 miles, and there established the Churches, Atts 15. 16.

From Derbe they went to Lystra, 48 miles, where Paul circum-

cised Timothy, Acts 16.

In the 5 1 yeare after Christ they went from Lystra, and so trauelled through Galatia, Phrygia, and being hindred by the spirit that they could not preach in Bythinia, they went thorow Mysia, and so came to Troas, where by a vision that Paul saw in the night he was admonished to go into Macedonia, Atts 16. So this journey between Lycia and Troas was 480 miles.

Loofing from Troas they failed with a direct course to Samo-

Thracia, 116 miles.

From thence they failed to Neapolis. 92 miles.

From thence they went to Philippos in Macedonia 24 miles a Act. 16. here Lydda the seller of purple was converted, and Paul dispossessed a Diuel: and then he and Sylas being scourged were cast into prison, Paul being then about 41 yeares of age, Acts 16.

From Philippos they went to Amphipolis, about 36 miles,

Acts 17.

From thence they went to Apollonia, 44 miles.

From Apollonia they went to Thessalonica, where the Iewes

stirred vp a tumult: 80 miles.

Wherefore they went thence by night," and came to Berrhæa 60 miles: here also the Iewes stirred vp a tumult, Asts 17. These things hapned in the summer season, An. Dom. 51.

From Berrhæa Paul was brought by the Brethren to the fea, where entring into a shippe hee went to Athens, which was 264 miles; where he converted Dionysus the Areopagite. From this

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towne he wrot both his Epistles to the Thessalonians, as the subscription witnesseth, and sent them to Thessalonica. These were the first Epistles that Paul wrot.

Afterward hee went from Athens and came to Corinthia, 74 miles: he came thither about the beginning of August, An.D. 51 and continued there a whole yeare and six months, preaching the Gospell, and making tents with Aquila the Iew, who was of that trade, Als 19.

From Corinthia, about the spring An. Do. 53. he went to Cenchrae with Aquila and Priscilla, 304 miles. There for deuotions fake he polled his head.

From Cenchræa he sailed in the company of Aquila and Priscilla to Ephesius, about 304 miles. Here he left them, AEEs 18.

From Ephesus hee sailed to Cassarea Strato in Iudaa, beeing 280 miles.

From Cæfarea he went to Ierusalem, 32 miles, and saluted the Church.

From the city of Ierusalem Paul went to Antiochia in Syria, 280 miles.

So all these trauels were 2154 miles.

¶ Of the townes and places to which he tranelled.

Of Cilicia.

Because you may reade of Syria before, I wil omit it, and proceed to speake of Cilicia. This was a countrey in Asia the lesse, so called (as some would have it) from Cilix the Kings son of Phoenicia; compassed in vpon the East with the mountaine Amanus; vpon the North with the mountaine Taurus; vpon the West by Pamphilia; and vpon the South by the Mediterranean sea. At this day it is called Caramania, and is distant from Ierusalem 304 miles towards the North. In times past it was divided into two parts, that is, into Cilicia the higher and the lower: Cilicia the higher aboundeth with mountaines, the lower is a plaine champian countrey very sertile and pleasant. The principal

cipal cities thereof are Tarsus, where the Apostle Paul was born, and where the river Cydnus runs through the midst of it; Issus, where Alexander overcame Darius last Emperor of the Persians; Anazarba, where Dioscorides that excellent Physician was borne, who was of great estimation with Antonius and Cleopatra. There are six books yet extant of his profitable and necessary labours in that science.

From hence may be gathered that the scituation is strong and pleasant; in regard it is fortified on every side with mountaines, but principally with the mountaine Taurus (samous for the fertilitie of it, and the passage of Alexander with his army, who at the he conquered Darius, went through the straight passages thereof, being both dangerous and difficult) and watered with many Rivers that take their beginning from that mountaine, & so passeth Southward through all Cilicia, falling then into the Mediterranian sea.

Qf Galatia.

Alatia or Gallo-Grecia is a countrey of Asia minor, distant from Ierusalem 400 miles; having vpon the East Cappadocia, vpon the South Pamphilia, vpon the West Bythinia, and on the North the Euxine sea. The cities of this country were antiently Sinopis, where King Mithridates kept his Court, and Diogenes the Cynick was born; Amisus, also Pessinus, where the Mother of the gods was had in great honor, and was fetch thence by the Romans. This was a famous mart town (as Livy saith, li.29.) Laodicea, Tauius, and Ancyra, where there was held a notable Sinod: and in this large and spatious country also stood Antiochia Pissidia; for the Galathians dwelt in all Paphlagonia a part of Licaonia, Pissidia, and Isauria in which countries the Apostle Pault taught the Gospel of Christ.

These inhabitants (which in those daies were called Galathians) are said to be a people of France, who ioyning themselues to the Cymbrians, Danes, and Germans, under the conduct of Brenmu their captain inuaded Italy, in which enterprise they were so fortunat that they conquered a great part of it, wherin they planted colonies; and because of their neernesse to their own country

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in processe of time grew mightie; and from that beginning the countrey where they inhabited was called Cice-alpine-Gallia. taking that name partly of the place, partly of the people. After Brennus and his armie making vse of their fortunes, forraged all Italy, and came to Rome, which they woone and fackt, all but the Capitoll, and that also was in great danger, vntill such time as Ca. millus (a valiant Roman Captaine) taking advantage of the ene. mies securitie (who now tooke more care how to satisfie their couetousnesse, than to defend what they had got) of a sudden set vpon them; by which vnexpected inuafion they were put to a maruellous straight, and the besieged greatly incouraged; so that they also issuing out of the Capitoll, made such a slaughter, that they forced Brennus and his armie to retire, and to restore all the pillage that hee had got, and also forsake the countrey. This misfortune they bore patiently, confidering their former prosperitie, and in hope of better successe sailed thence into Grecia: where, after they had attempted many noble exploits, and failing in some, they determined a voyage for Delphos, because there was great store of treasure, and the inhabitants (as they suppofed) weake to oppose their armie. In this expedition they vsed much pillage and robbing vpon the Seas; and through many dangers came at length to this Isle, landed their men, wan the citie, fired a great part of it, and put many of the inhabitants to the fword: with this victorie, most of his armie which were more religious than the rest, would have willingly left the countrey; but Brennus who beforetimes had beene vied to facriledge and those that were as couetous as himselse, thought it basenesse through an opinion of holinesse to leave so great a bootie behind them as was contained in the Temple of Apollo, (for that place of all the Temples of the world in those times was notorious for riches and treasure, the many and great gratuities and offerings of most Princes, which were both magnificent and rich, being hoarded vp in the fecret caues of this Oracle) wherefore they attempted the affault, but with bad successe, for the diuell raised such a tempest, with thundring, lightning, and other strange and vncoth acci-* Some fyh: dents, that Brennus in this distemperature of the aire was * slaine, killed him elf many of his shippes were set on fire, and the greatest part of his armie loft, being either spoiled with lightning, slaine by the inhabitants, or dispersed with feare. Such event had this sacrilegious attempt. Those that remained, after they had gathered themselues into a body, went thence into Asia the lesse, and planted themselves in this country; where the inhabitants in processe of time called them Gallo-Gracians, adding their originall name to that of the countrey wherein they lived; and after. for beauties fake, they were called Galatians, See Lin, lib. 5. Diodorns S culus, lib. 6. saith, That the inhabitants of Galatia were so called of this people, in the time that Gidion judged Ifrael, & that Cyrus was Emperour of Persia; both may be true, considering the mutabilitie and change of States in those times.

Some thinke they were first called Galatians by Attalus King of Pergamus, (who gaue them a great ouerthrow close by the riuer Halym) because they originally were of Gallia, and continued sometime in Græcia, and after came into Asia; so he joyning these two names into one, called them Gallo-Græcians, or Gallatians. This history is diversly reported by divers authors; but all conclude that they rested and inhabited in Asia, where their

posteritie continued to this day.

In times past it was a very warlike and generous nation, and in their expedition performed many noble exploits, attaining to eminence onely by their fword; for which cause many Princes neere them were beholding vnto them for their aide:but withall, cruell and barbarous, infomuch as they oftentimes eat their captiues or offered them to their gods; and thus they continued for the space of 300 yeares, till Paul comming into that countrey preached the Gospellamongst them, and converted them from this Barbarisme to the Christian faith. He sent an Epistle to this people from Rome, being 1200 miles. They in those times held all Paphligonia, a part of Phrigia, Cappadocia, and of all the neighbouring countries thereabouts, which after their n. mes was called Gallo Grzcia or Galatia: such a mightie nation was this growne in a short time, at first being a people thrust out of their owne countrey for want of a place to inhabit in, as you may reade more at large in the fifth booke of Liuie, whose authoritie I have principally followed herein.

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Of Phrygia.

Phrygia is as much to fay as a dry and fandy country, scituated in Asia the lesse between Galatia and Mysia, 600 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. It is divided into two parts, the greater and the lesse: in the greater Phrygia stood Smyrna; in the lesse Dardania, so called of Dardanus who first built it: in which town there reigned many wealthy & mighty Princes, as Eristhonius, Tros of whom it was called Troy, Ilus of whom it was called Ilion, Laonedon who was the father of Priamus the last king therof, for in his time it was destroyed by the Grecians. Of which desolution I will not speak because it is commonly known.

It lay waste so long (although it had bin a faire and goodly city, the like not in the world) that the place where it stood was become like a plain field, only here and there some heaps of old ruins, to show that there had been a city in that place. And as Virgil said, tam seres est whit Trois fuit, Corne now growes where Troy

flood.

A long time after there were a certain people that called themfelues Trojans, who rebuilt it, but not in the same place, and in it exected a goodly Temple in honour of the goddesse to the which Temple Alexander the Great (after he had conquered Darius King of Persia close by the river Granicus, which tooke beginning in a mountain not far from Troy) went, and with singular gladnesse and great solemnitie offered many rich and goodly Presents, enlarged the towne, and greatly adorned. But after he had ended the Persian war, and conquered almost all the knowne world, he sent very kinde and louing letters to these new Trojans, promising not only to inlarge the towne, and endow it with maprimisedges and revenues, but also to build vp a faire and sumptions Temple there, as Strabo lib.15. saith: all which was done for the loue he bore to Homers Iliads.

Wherefore looke what Alexander had promifed, Lysimachus (one of his chiefe Princes, and King of Thrace) after his death performed; for he returned to Troy, enlarged the city, beautified it with goodly buildings, set up a stately Temple, and then com-

past it about with strong wals. After this fort it continued a long time, vntill Fimbria a Questor of the Romans (when he had slaine Valerius Flaceus the Confull, with whom hee was fent, against Mithridates King of Pontus) befieged it, and within ten dayes space woon it; making his vaunts, that hee conquered that citie in ten dayes, which Agamemnon could scarce do in ten yeares; to which one of the inhabitants of the citie answered. That then Troy had a Hector, but now it had none. But for this hee cruelly wasted the citie. This destruction hapned in the 84 yeare before Christ: thus it lay desolate till Augustus Casars time, who caused it again to be re-edified and beautified with many faire and goodly buildings, because the Romanes, and especially those noble samilies of the Iuly and Cafars, doe derive their progenie from the Trojans: for which cause Augustus vsed such diligence in the rebuilding of this citie, and bestowed such infinit cost, that he much exceeded Alexander, and made it a faire and goodly citie. At this day it is called Hium. But in the place of old Troy there is little to bee seene, only a small towne, as Strabo saith. It is distant from Ierusalem,760 miles, Northwestward.

of Bythinia.

His countrey is opposite to Constantinople, scituated in A-I sia minor, distant from Irusalem Northwestward, and so called of Bythinus the fonne of Iupiter and Thrax. It was sometime called Pontus, Bebrycia, and Mygdonia, as Stephanus faith. In this countrey the Apostle Paul could not preach the Gospel of Christ when he went into Macedonia and Gracia, because hee was hindred by the Spirit, Act. 16. The principall cities thereof were Calcidon, Heraclea, Nicea, Nicomedia, Apamea, Flauiopolis, Libiffa (where Hannibal lieth buried) and Prufa, now called Byrfa, where in times past the Emperours of Turkie kept their Courts, and were buried. The mother and metropolis of all these cities was Nicea, or rather Nicea, beeing distant from Terusalem 720 miles towards the Northwest; at the first called Antigonia, of Antigonus the sonne of Philip King of Asia, who built it after the death of Alexander the Great. But Lysimachus called it Nicaa, after his wifes name, and at this day is called Nissa. The compasse

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thereof is two miles, being foure square, scituated (as Strabo saith lib. 12.) in a faire and pleasant place, lying close by the poole of Ascania, and hath in it 4 gates, standing in a direct line; al which gates might easily have beene seene from a certaine stone which stood in the middle of the Market place.

In this citie the most Christian Emperor Constantine the Great celebrated a Councell, auno Dom. 325. at which time there were present 320 Bishops, who condemned the Arrian heriste, and instituted the Nicæn Creed. But after that, viz. anno Dom. 326, the Arrians endeauouring to hold a second Councell in this citie, to confirme their opinions, and to dissolue that which went before, the Lord hindred them with an Earthquake, by which almost half the citie was throwne down. Not long after, there hapned another earthquake which vtterly destroied it: notwithstanding it was rebuilt again, and in it a second Councell held, wherein the Nicæn Creed was condemned.

There were many cities of this name; that before spoken of, another in Thrace, a third in France, not far from the river Varus, a fourth (as Stephanus saith) is among st the Lorrenses in Græcia, a sift in Illeria, a sixt in India, a seventh in Corsica, and the eighth in Leustris of Bætia.

Of Myfia.

His is a country of Asia the lesse, bordring upon Helle spont and Troada; being divided into two parts, that is, the greater and the lesse. That part that bordreth upon Troada, is distant from Ierusalem 800 miles Northwestward: but that which is called Mysia the lesse, and bordring upon Lydia, is 1028 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. In this countrey stood Pergamus, to which solve wrote his Revelation; Scepsis where one Nelew kept the bookes of Aristosle til Apollonius time, also Antandrus, Adramitium, Tranoiapolis, and Apollinia, which stood close by the river Thyndaus.

The inhabitants were men of a base condition, and contemned of the world, insomuch as they became a prouerbe, as often as a man would denote a thing of no estimation, they would say Vitimum esse Myssorum, that is, It is worse than the Myssans, as it appeared

appeareth in Cicero's oration for Flaceus. Yet notwithstanding, Paul and Iohn the Euangelist preached the doctrine and light of the Gospell to this poore and despised people, so that the Mysians, which were a contemptible and abhominable nation before all the world, were not so before God, for they were converted at the preaching of Iohn and Paul: From whence he saith, Not many mise according to the sless, not many mishie, not many noble; but God bath chosen the foolish things of this world, that they might confute and overthrow the wise, cit. Cor. 1.

In times past they were a great people, though of small estimation, for they had under their iurisdiction, Lydia, Caria, Pergamus, Thyatira, Sardis, Philidelphia, and Laodicea; to many of which Tohnwrote his Revelation. Also (as Herodotus saith, Lib. 7.) the Mysians and Teucrians, before the Trojan war, past into Europe, and there woon and held Thracia, Macedonia, and all the land to the Adriatick sca, &c.

Of Troas.

His citie Troas, where Paul raised Eutichus (which signi-I fies happie or fortunate) from death to life, Acts. 10. stood vpon the sea of Hellespont in Asia the lesse 720 miles from Ierufalem Northwestward. Antigonus king of Asia called it Troas, because it was in the countrey where Troy was. But after the death of Alexander he called it after his owne name Antigonia: And the better to honour it, kept his court there. But Lysimachus King of Thrace having got this city into his iurisdiction, bestowed great cost vpon it, and set vp many fair and goodly buildings, then called it after Alexanders name, Alexandria, and so it began to be called Alexandria Troas, Plin. lib. 5. Strabo, l. 13. Ier de locis Hebraicis, Now it was called Alexandria Troas to put a difference between it and divers other cities of that name: for there was an Alexandria in Ægypt, another in India, and many others elsewhere ; but only this in the countrey where Troy flood. It was scituated in a high and spacious mountaine, about a mile and a halfe from the shore of Propontus towards the East, between which & Troads istwentie and eight miles. Iz

It is a thing worthy observation, to confider by what divers names the sea that lies between Europe and Asia the lesse is called, for betweene Constantinople and Calcidonia, close by the Euxine sea it is called Thracius Bosphorus, in which place it is not aboue halfe a mile broad: here Xerxes when he inuaded Græcia. built vp a bridge for his army to passe ouer. There is also another strait and narrow place in this sea, which is called by the name of Cimmerius Bosphorius. These two Bosphori are so called (as some authors hold) because a Bull when he loweth may be heard from the one fide to the other: but Pliny feemeth to derive the name from 10, that faire maid which Iupiter turned into a Cow, who iwam ouer this sea, and of her was called Boshborus, lib. 6. cap. 1. It is also called Propontus, because it lieth just before the Euxine sea; and Helle from Helle the daughter of Athamantis K. of Thebes who was drowned therein: then running thence it falleth into a gulph of the Mediterranean Ocean, & there it is called the Æge an sea, of Agens King of Athens, who drowned himselfe therein for the supposed losse of his sonne Thesew. In this sea were scituate the Isles of Pathmos, Mytelene, Samothrace, Chius, Lesbus, and many other Isles, as you may reade in the travels of S. Paul.

Of Samothracia ot Samothrace.

Amothracia is an Isle of the Ægean sea, scituate between Troades and Thracia, eight hundred and eightic miles from serusalem towards the Northwest, close to that part of Thracia,
where Hebrus salleth into the sea, sometimes called Dardania, of
Dardanus King of Troy, who when hee had slaine his brother said,
and taken from him the Palladiam, he came first into Samothracia, and then into Asia, where he first laid the foundation of
the citie called Troy, and of that Kingdome. And although this
Isle at that time was called Dardania, yet because of the necesses
that it had to Thrace, and the altitude of the rocke whereon is
strong it foone changed the name: and then especially, when the
people called Samos came whither to inhabit, who after their own
name called it Samothracia. It shood upon such a softie place,
that from thence all the countries round about might cassly bee
seene.

feen. Arsinoë Queene of Thrace was banished by Ptolomeus her brother, into this Island, who after put to death all her children, and vsurpt vpon the kingdome of Thrace. A cruell part in a brother. Virg. li. Aneid. 3. makes mention of this Island, saying,

Treiciamque Samum qua nunc Samothracia fertur.

And Samian-Troy, which now adayes is Samo-Thracia call'd.

Strabo also writeth of it, li. 13. And in Airs 16, it is said, S. Paul sailed from Troadis to Samothracia, & sowent thence into Thracia and came to the city of Neapolis.

Of Neapolis.

This Neapolis to which Paul went, was a city of Thrace not far from Macedoni, 880 miles from Ierufalem Northwestward, called also of some Caurus. There are many other Cities of this name; one in Iudea, where Sichem and Sichar stood; another in Caria, a third in Africa, a fourth in Pannonia; but aboue all that which stands in Campania is most remarkable being the chiefe city of the Neapolitan kingdome.

Of Philippa.

This city in times past was called Crenides, because of the veins of gold that were found close by it. But after, Philip King of Macedon, father of Alexander the Great, caused it in the yeare before Christ 354, to be ere edified and inlarged, and then after his own name called it Philippos. It was seituated in Grecia close by the river Stridon, 936 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northwest) and endowed with many priviledges. In those times the gold was so much increased in this place, that the revenue thereof was worth vnto this King more than a thousand Talents, which at 4500 li. the talent, amounted the forty sive Millions of pounds yearely. By the which means King Philip grew so rich, that he caused his gold to be coined, and called it after his owne name, Philippian gold. To this place Paul came, and did many

many miracles, taught the Gospell, and converted many. From hence he wrote his second Epissle to the Corinthians, and sent it to Corinth; even 292 miles. He also wrote an Epissle from Rome to the Christians of this Towne, and sent it them by the hands of Epaphroditus, even 628 miles. It was afterward a Colony of the Romans.

Of Amphipolis.

His was a city of Macedonia, compassed about with the riuer Strymon, from whence it tooke the name; and was distant from Ierusalem 960 miles towards the Northwest. Here also the Apostle Paul was, Atts 17.

Of Apollonia.

His was a citie of Mygdonia, scituated not farre from Thesfalonica towards the West, close by the river Echedorus, 948 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northwest: being so called from Apollines, which signifies the Sunne: it stood twentie miles from Thessalonica. There are many other Cities of this name; one scituate in Græcia, close by the Adriatick sea; another, among the Islands of Thrace; a third, in Creet, on this side the river Isler; a fourth, in Syria; and a fift, in Africa amongst the Cyrenes.

Of Theffalonia or Theffalonica.

His was a citie of Macedon, in ancient times called Halia, because it stood upon the sea; after, called Therma, of the hot bathes that were in it; and lastly, Thessalonica, of Philip the some of Amyntas King of the Macedonians, who gaue it that name either of the great victory that he had against the Thessalonica, who was the mother of Cassalonica it stood close by the Thermaick gulph, not farre from the mouth of the river Echedorus, 932 miles from Jerusalonica to wards the Northwest. The Apostle Paul taught publiquely in this city, and there converted a great multitude of production of the solution of the solution of the inhabitants thereof, and sent them from Athens, being 232 miles distant.

In the time of Theodosius the sirst, Emperor of Rome, there hapned by reason of some discontent, a grieuous reaction among the Thessalains, in which stirre some of his captains & gouernors were slain. Wherefore the Emperor (hauing intelligence of what had hapned) sent an army against the city, with authority to put to death a certain number of those who had rebelled; whence it hapned that the city was filled with many vnius slaughters: for the soldiers respecting more their privat profit than the equitie of the cause, spared neither innocent nor nocent, yong nor old; so that as well the inhabitants as strangers that resorted thither did partake of this miserie, and suffered like punishment as did they which were the sirst authors of this rebellion.

But because the emperor was consenting vnto these euils, Ambrose Bishop of Millaine would not suffer him without publique repentance to come to the sacrament of the Lords supper: wherefore in a publique assembly hee acknowledged his offence with

great contrition, Theodor.li.5.ca. 17.6 Soz.li.7.ca.24.

This town was afterward purchased by the Venetians, of Andronichus Falaelogus son of Emanuel Emperor of Constantinople; who held it a long time, vntill Amurath Emperor of the Turkes won it from them, and exercised gricuous cruelty vpon the inhabitants. At this day it is a faire and goodly city, wherein is to be seen 23 Churches, and is inhabited both by Christians, Iews, and Turks, a: Sebastian Munster saith: but the greatest number is Iews, who are partly merchants, partly of other trades; their number in this place (as it is said by some of their own nation) is 14000, and they have 80 synagogues: but they are constrained to weare yellow wreaths about their heads, the Christians blew, & the Turks white. There are many Iewes also in Constantinople and Adrianople; but in no place more than in this town, which is now called Salonica.

Of Berraa.

His is a city of Macedon, scituated upon the river of Halak. mon, 960 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. In this city the Iewes stirred vp a great tumult and sedition against the A. postle Paul, Acts 17. At this day it it is called Voria.

Of Athens.

His was the most famous City of all Grecia, the mother of Arts, and a bountifull nourisher of large and mighty Colonies, in that part of Achaia called Acte or Attica. It was scituated vpon the shore of the Mediterranian sea, 720 miles from Ierufalem Westward. It tooke name from a Divine knowledge; for the word is derived of sur and we, i. the minde of God. It was first built by Cecrops, five yeares before Moses fled out of Egypt into the land of the Midianites, and of him called Cecropia. This Cacrops was the first King thereof, and there succeeded him at least 40, both famous & worthy princes. But after it was called Mopfonia, of Moplus K. of Thessaly and after Ionia, which name it held for a while: and lastly Athens, dedicated to Pallas (which goddesse the Grecians say was born of the brain of supiter) which name it held a long time after. There lived in this city Solon, Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, Demostheres, and many other excellent Philosophers.

It was scituated vpon a faire and strong Rocke, beautified with many goodly Temples and buildings, but principally that of Minerva was most fumptuous, in which there hung a great number of Lampes, which gaue a continual light. There was also the Monasterie of the holy Virgins, and the image of Pallas made all of white Ivorie very curious and costly. There were many Schools, Colledges, and pleasant gardens in which Philosophers vsed to walk, and it abounded with sweet and delectable musick, and with great refort of Merchants and Schollers. To conclude, in those times it was the most notable city in the world.

Moreouer, there were many profitable hauens for the receit of ships, but that which was called Piraum exceeded, being capable

pable to receive 40 * ships; beautified with many goodly buil- *As some say dings, in compasse two miles, fortified with seuen walls, and iov_ 400. ning to the city (wherof Terence writeth in Eunuch. Act. 3. Scen. 4) At this day it is called Porto Lini, fortified with two wals foure miles in length, extending to the hill Munichya, the fyrname of Diana (being compassed in the figure of a Chersonesse, & so iovned to the city of Athens. In which distance there are two other hauens besides that of Piræum. In this Inpiter had a magnificent Temple, and in it were found many artificiall tables, pictures, and grauen images, all which are at this day destroied and carried

away.

It hath beene three times destroyed; first by Xexes and Mardonius, which happened in the yeare before Christ 479. Then by Lysander, who broke downe an hundred paces of the wall, and almost veterly destroyed their ships, and broke downe the hauen of Peræa. It was also fore oppressed by the Romans, and they also brake downe their hauen and burnt their shippes, but spared the towne, and held it in great estimation. But it was the third time ouerthrowne and vtterly destroyed by the Turks, who both changed the place and name of the city, after it had flourished 2112 yeares. At this day it is divided into three parts, and called by the name of Sethina, because of the varietie of the inhabitants that liue in it, being very well peopled, and a faire and spatious City, but much altered from that it was in times past. For although before it was the very mother of eloquence, and glory of Attica, yet at this day it is so much altered, that their language isbase, and their glory is eclipsed. The vppermost part of the city, where formerly the temple stood dedicated to the vnknown God, is now wholly and absolutely in the hands of the Turkes, in which they have built a strong and almost invincible Castle. which hath the command of the rest of the towne. The second and middle part of the towne is all inhabited by Christians. In the third there standeth a fair and goodly Palace, supported with marble pillars, and adorned with goodly workes. In this part of the City there inhabiteth people of divers fects and conditions. And heere also is the seat of a Metropolitane, who hath under him many Bishops. So that God doth support and maintaine

his Church euen amongst the enemies thereof; for there are four Patriarks in Turky, to which al the other Christian Metroplitans and Bishops are subiect; viz. the Patriarch of Alexandria, Con-

stantinople, Antiochia, and Ierusalem.

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Paul was the first man that preached the Gospell of Christ in this city, and converted many citisens, but especially Dionysius the Areopagite, who dwelt vpon a promontory without the city. and as it feems was one of the principal ludges and gouernors of the town; for after he had taught publiquely in the towne, & had disputed against the Iewes and Philosophers concerning Christ. they supposing him to be a busie fellow, and one worthy of death as a diffurber of the common peace, brought him before this Diomyfins, that fo by his judgement he might receive condign punishment for his offence. But S. Paul so well behaued himselfe, and preached with fuch admirable eloquence and learning, that hee not only confuted his enemies, but among others converted this Diony sius Areopagitus, who was afterwards the first Bishop of Athens (as Euseb. faith, lib. 4.cap. 23.) and went captive with Paul to Rome, and from thence to Paris in France, where he suffered martyrdome vnder Diony sus the Emperor.

Of Corinthia.

Orinthus is a famous city in Grecia, scituated in Peloponesfus a pleasant countrey of Achaia, joyning to the continent of Grecia like an Ishmus or Peninsula, distant from Ierusalem 760 miles towards the West, commonly called Corantha built (as Eulebius faith) by Siliphus sonne of Æolus, at such time as 10thuah gouerned Ifrael; who was a mighty Pirat. At first it was but a castle, and called after his name Sisiphyus : but after, because of the strength of the place, and pleasant scituation, it became a faire towne, and called by the name of Corcyra, as Strabo faith; then Ephym, of Ephyra, who was a faire and goodly Nymph, and Queen of that place. Now although even in those times it was held in great estimation, yet it became much wasted and decay. ed through the continuance of time; vntill it was repaired by Sing Corinthus (who as some thinkewas the sonne of Marathon Suidas Suidas faith, the fonne of Pelops; others would have him the fonne of Orestin: and after his name was called Corinth, that is, The floure of Maides.

It was a faire and goodly citie, very commodiously built, for it flood betweene the two feas of Ionium and Ægeum, fo that there reforted thither great multitude of Merchants from all places, Closeby the citie there stood a steepe mountaine, which was as it were a bulwarke for the defence thereof, being 560 feet high, and called Acrocorinthus, that is, the glory and strength of the Corinthians. It was also compassed about with strong walls, and beautified with many goodly buildings and temples, but about the rest, the Temple of Venus was had in great reputation, which (as Strabo faith) stood upon the top of the mountaine Acrocorin. thus, wherein there were aboue a thousand Maides prostituted euery yeare. This Temple was had in fuch great honour, and was so gloriously built, that aboue all the places of the world there was refort vnto it. Close by it stood the ancient castle called Syfyphius, built all of white Marble; and a little below that, the fountaine of Pyrene dedicated to the Muses.

There were many mightie Princes that ruled in this citie, as Alethes who was King thereof at such time as Samuel judged Israel, which was 1103 yeares before Christ; hee bestowed great cost vpon it, set vp many faire and goodly buildings, and ruled ouer it thirtie and fine yeares, as Eusebius saith. After him there fucceeded many Kings, by whose worthinesse and prowesse it was so much inlarged, and made so famous, that it was little inferiour to the citie of Rome: for at such time as Embassadors were fent thence to intreate of some businesse concerning the state, the Corinthians did not let to give them many reprochfull tearmes, as Strabo saith, lib.8. because of which insolencie the Romans ient Lucius Mummus the Consul, into Grætia, who besieged Cotinth, and within a short time tooke it, and burnt it downe to the ground, in the yeare before Christ, 145, of which you may reade more in Florus, and in the second Decad of Lyuie. It was a maruellous rich Towne, and abounded with gold, filuer, and costly braffe, also with plate, and curious pictures: so that although Mummius conquered Corinth, yet Corinth conquered Rome;

for the citizens thereof were fo bewitched with the riches and glory of this towne, that they forgot their ancient seueritie, and with violence followed their vices, as Saluft saith, lib. 1. So that as before Corinth abounded with luxurie and divers other abho. minable euils, as whoredome, adulterie, fornication, couetousnes. idolatty, rapine, and murther: fo Rome in future ages became as bad or worfe than it.

Thus it continued waste from that time till Julius Cafar was Emperour of Rome, who having travelled into those parts of the world, and seene the ruines of this citie, and the profitale scituation for traffique, caused it to be rebuilded : after which time it began to grow great & spacious, little inferiour to the former in glory, and no leffe corrupted with vices, having forgot the former miserie which it sustained by the hands of the Romans; and so continued from the yeare before Christ 44, vntill the yeare after Christ 41, at which time Paul came thither & preached the Gospell, by whose divine doctrine and godly lite and conversation, they were converted from their enill courses, and lived more holily and honestly, as appeareth by the two Epistles of Saint Paul wrote from Philippos to the inhabitants of this towne.

But after, they falling from their faith and for faking their ancient integritie, the Lord punished them with a second desolation; for at such time as Amurath Emperor of the Turkes grew to eminencie, and had conquered Thessalonica, Boætia, and Attica, he came into this Ishums, and made all Peloponessus tributary to him. Then after him Mahomet the fecond (although the inhabitants of Corinth had fortified their citie with three walls, and made it fo frong that it was thought to be almost inuincible) befieged it and woon it, An. Dom. 1458. about fix yeares after Conflantinople was conquered by the Turkes. But now it is in the command of the Venetians, and that, and all the countrey is called by the name of Morea, as it appeareth in the Turkish Historie,lib.10.

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The fourth percorination of the Apostle Paul.

N the yeare after the Nativitie of Christ, 53, Paul went from Antiochia in Syria, and came to Galatia, and Laodicia in Phrygia, and thence wrote his Epissle to Timethy, as it appeareth by the subscription of that Epistle, which was 380 miles.

From Laodicea hee went to Ephesus, which was 280 miles and there appointed Timothy to be a Bishop, and daily disputed in the schoole of a certaine Tyrant, and did many miracles, as it

appeareth, Acts 19.

From Ephesus he came to Troada, which was 200 miles, where when he could not find Titus he was troubled in spirit, 2 Cor. 2.

From Troada hee failed into Macedonia, and came to Philippos, which was 232 miles: from hence hee wrote his Epistles to the Corinthians, and fent them to Corinth, which was 292 miles.

In the same yeare also, Paul passing through Græcia, (in euery place where he came, preaching and visiting the churches, Act. 19.) at length came to Corinthus, which was 480 miles.

In the 57 yeare after the Nativitie of Christ, when Paul had wintred among the Corinthians; in the Spring (that hee might auoyd the deceits of the Iewes who went about to take away his life, hee went thence and returned to Philippos, which was 292 miles, where he celebrated the feast of Penticost, Alts 2.

From thence he failed to Troada, which was 232 miles, where he raised Eutichus from death to life, Acts 20.

From Troada he went to Assa, which was thirtie and six miles, Acts 20.

From Assa he sailed to Mileten, which was 760 miles, Acts 20. From Mileten he went to Chius, which was 64 miles, Acts 20. From Chius he failed to Samus, which was 60 miles, and continued in the Isle of Trogylius which was close by Samus, as Pi. faith, b. 5. cap. 3. and Strabo, cap. 13.

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From Trogylius hee failed by Ephesus, and came to Miletus, which was 160 miles. From thence hee fent Messengers to the Ministers of Ephesus, commanding them to have a speciall care to the flocke of Christ, which he had purchased with his pretious bloud; and added that he was so much the more importunate in that behalfe because they should never see him againe: Wherefore they embraced Paul with great lamentations and sorrow,

From Myletus he & his companions went with a direct course to the Island of Cous, which was 200 miles, Atts 21.

From thence the next day they went to Rhodes, which was 84 miles.

From Rhodes they went to Patara, which was 100 miles.

From Patara they layled to Tyrus, leaving Cyprus vpon the left hand, which was 3 60 miles, where hee found certaine Disciples, and remained there seuen daies, Alfs 21.

From Tyrus Paul and his companions sailed to Ptolomais,

which was 24 miles.

From thence they came to Cæfarea Strato, which was 44 miles; there they remained in the house of *Philip* the Euangelist, who was one of the seuen Deacons with Stephen, Atts 21.

From thence Paulwent to Ierusalem, which was 32 miles, and there about the scass of Penticost he was taken by the Iewes, imprisoned and scourged, Asts 21. At this time Paul was about 47 yeares of age. So all these Trauels were 3396 miles.

Of the townes and places to which he travelled.

And first of Assus.

Oncerning Laodicea to which Paul trauelled you may reade before. I will therefore proceed to Affus, which was a towne within the jurifdiction of Troada, scituated close by the Egoan sea, 700 miles from Ierusalem towards the North East, as Strabo saith, (Lib. 13.) wonderfully fortified both by nature and art, so that it is a thing almost impossible to be conquered. There

is found close by it the stone called Sarchophagus, in which if any mans corps be buried, within the space of 40 daies it is vtterly consumed all but the teeth, as Pliny saith, li. 36.cap. 17. In this citie Cleanes the Stoicke was borne, as Chrysippus saith.

of Mitylene.

THe Isle and towne of Mitylene is scituated in the Ægean sea. 624 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northwest. In times past called Lesbus, which obtained the whole jurisdiction & gouernment of Troada. It is in compasse 136 miles, and containeth in length from the North to the South 56 miles. In it is found much matter for the making and calking of ships: there was made ny goodly cities in it, as Mitylene and Pyrrha, which stood vpon the West part of it; also the Metropolitan called Lesbos, Eresfus, the hauen of Antissa, and Mithymna. Of Lesbos in times past this whole Isle was called Lesbus, untill the citie of Mitylene grew famous; being so called of Mitylene the daughter of Macharus, as Diodorus faith, lib. 4. and after that cities name it was called Mitylene. There were many other goodly cities which stood in this Isle, but they were either consumed by earthquakes or drowned by the fea. The land thereof was very pleafant and fruitfull, bringing forth grapes, whereof there was avery excellent and cleere wine made, which they of Constantinople principally liked: there is also found great store of Cypresse, Pines, and plenty of figs come thence. Their horses are very strong, but of alow stature: it is very mountainy, and pestred with wild beasts.

There were many famous men that lived and were borne in this country; as Pittachus one of the seven Wise-men of Græce, Alieus the Poet, and Alcimenides his brother, Diophanes the Orator, and Theophanes who wrote the acts of Pompey the Great, (as it appeareth in Tullies Oration for Archia) Theophrastus also that notable Philosopher, (who at first was called Tyrtamanus, then Euphrastus, that it, a good Orator) and lastly, Theophrastus, that is, a divine Orator: this man was an excellent Perapateticke, and scholler to Aristotle, whom he succeeded in his schoole, and had two thousand schollers.

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Vitruvius the Archite & maketh mention of Mitylen in his first booke, saying that it was a very magnificent city, and rarely builded, but very badly scituated, for when the South winde did blow, the inhabitants grew sicke; when the West, they coughed, and when the North wind did blow they were made well. Notwithstanding the Apostle Paul and his companions came to this citie, as it appeareth, Asts 20. At this day it is under the iurisdiction of the Turkes, and is called by the name of Midilly.

Of Chius.

This is an Isle scituated in the Agean sea, distant from Ierusalem 600 miles towards the Northwest, being 112 miles in compasse; the principall citie thereof is called Chios, taking the name, as some say some the Masticke tree, which sweateth out a certaine gum, of the Syrians called Chian, and by vs Mastick: this Mastick is the best in those parts of the world. Ephorus calleth it by the antient name Etalia; but Cleobulus, Chia; either because of the Nymph called Chion, or else because of the whitenesse of the sile: there are others that call it Patyusia; and there are some who derive the name of Chius from the temple of Apollo that standeth in it, called Chion. There stands in it a faire and goodly mountaine called Pellenzum, from whence the inhabitants dig very excellent marble. Also in times past the best Malmsey came thence, but in these daies it is brought from Creet.

Of Samus.

His is an Isle and Citie scituated in the Ægean Sea, vpona high or lostie piece of ground, so that from thence the inhabitants may see into all the Countries neere adjoyning, lying vpon the coast of Ephesus and Ionia, 560 miles from Ierusalem toward the Northwest; it was in compasse 88 miles, very sertile and pleasant, much exceeding Chius, although it brought forth no Wine. In times past it was called Artemisia, Parthenea, and Stephane; taking those names from a crowne or wreath of sweet smelling sloures, of which there were great plenty in this Isle the Poëts seigne that Iuno was both borne and brought vp in it; and Karro saith, That there was a faire and stately Temple dedicated

vnto her, where folemne feruice and the rites of Marriage were yearely celebrated. Pythagoras the Philosopher was borne here; and one of the Sybels (which prophecied of the comming of Christ) liued here. S. Paul also came to this Isle, and converted many, as appeareth, AETs 20.

There is another Isle called Samus, scituated upon the coast of Epirus, not far from the gulph of Ambracius, called also Cephalenia, not far from the promontorie of Actium, where Angustus ouercame Antonius, in honour of which victory he built upa citie and called it Nicapolis, &c.

Of Trogyllium.

This is a promontorie and town not far from Ephelus, scituared in Asia minor, at the foot of the Mountaine Mycales, foure miles and somewhat more from Samus, where Paul staied, Ast. 20. It is distant from Ierusalem 460 miles toward the Northwest. There are which say, that S. Paul staied at a certaine Isle joining close to this promontory, called after that, by the name of Trogylium, See Strabo, lib. 14.

Of Myletus.

His was a famous city, scituated vpon the borders of Ionia and Cæsaria close by the shore of the Ægean sea, 104 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northwest. The Poëts sein, that Miletus, who was the first builder of this citie, was the son of Apollo, and called it after his owne name Myletus: but Strabo, lib. 12. thinketh that it was rather built by Sarpedon the sonne of Iupiter, and brother to Radamanthus and Mines, and by him was called Myletus, from another Citie of the same name, which stood in Crete. The wooll that commeth from this towne is wonderfull foft, and fingular good for many purpofes; but it was principally vsed to make cloth of, which they died into an excellent purple and transported into many places. There were many famous men that either lived or were borne in this towne; as Thales Milesius one of the seuen Wise-men of Græce, Anaximander, who was his scholler, Anaximenes and Hecataus the Historian; also Eschenes the Orator, (not he that contended with Demosthenes who taking

soo much libertie against Pompey was banished) Timothius the musician, and Pittacus the Philosopher, besides many others.

But of all these, Thales Milesius was held in greatest estimation. because he was thought to be the first that taught natural Philosophie and the Mathematicks amongst the Grecians. He was the first also that foretold of the Eclipse of the Sun, about such time as the battell was fought betweene Cyaxares father of Astyages King of the Medes, and Hallyattes father of Crassus K.of the Lidians, which was about the 44 Olimpiad. There came vnto him a certaine man, who asked him what was the hardest thing in the world; he answered, seipsum nosce, to know himselfe. Another came to him, and askt him how he might do to liue justly, he answered, Si que in alijs reprehendimus, ipse non faciamus, That we doe not those things which we reprehend in others. He died about the 58 Olympiad. Meletus at this day is called Melafa.

of Cous.

His is one of the Cyclad Islands, lying in the Ægean sea, bordring upon Caria; being so called from the Vaults and caues that are in it, and distant from Ierusalem 524 miles. It hath a city called after the same name, wherein there was a stately Temple built in honour of Iuno; & another standing in the suburbs theref dedicated to Asculaping: this was a very sumptuous temple, and made very rich, because of the many presents and gifts that were fent and dedicated to it. When the Romanes had obtained the command of this Isle, Octavius the father of Augustus Cafar, tooke out of this temple a naked Venus, which was a goodly image, and carried it with him to Rome in honour of his progenitors, who deriued their progenie from her.

It is in compasse 56 miles, being so pleasantly scituated that it was a sea marke to Mariners, very fruitfull, and bringing forth abundance of wine & filke, by reason of a certain fish that is found there, from which they got great plenty. See Plin. lib. 11.cap.22.

There were many that lived onely by weaving of filke, and aboue the rest there was one Pamphila the daughter of Plates, that was most excellent in that Art.

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There were many famous men that were either born or lived in that country, as Hipocrates that excellent Physitian, Apelles that notable painter, Simus the Physician, Philetas the poët and orator. Niciathe prince and tyrant of Cous, Ariston the Peripatetick, and Theomnestus that notable politician. At this day this Isle is within the Turkish Empire, and by them called Stacu: also the principall citie thereof is called by the fame name, and wholly inhabited by the Turks, two towns only being inhabited by the Grecians: but there are many that dwell in strong castles compassed with round and stately towers. This countrey is very fertile. abounding with cattell, and the mountaines thereof are little inferior to those of Creet.

of Rhodes.

He city and Isle of Rhodes (which is so called from the sweet ▲ fmell or roses) is scituated in the Mediterranean sea, a little from A fia the leffe, vpon the South; being distant from Ierusalem 140 miles toward the Northwest, as Strab. saith, 1.14. It is in compasse 112 miles. It was at first called Ophy, then Statilia, & after Telchin, of the inhabitants thereof, who were called Telchines, a people which, as some say, were witches; others say, curious Artificers, and were the first that found out the making of brasse and yron. At last it tooke the name of Rhodes from the principal city that flood in it: for there were three cities in it, viz. Lyndus, Camirus, and Ialyssus. In Lyndus, Cleobulus one of the seuen Wisemen of Græce, and Chares that famous Statuarie, who made the Colossus which stood in this Isle, were borne. Ialyssus of a Rose that was found in it, was called Rhodes, being scituated vpon an exceeding high promontorie, lying toward the East part of that lile. This exceeded the other two cities both for ports, waies, walls, and other ornaments, and the inhabitants were governed with such excellent lawes, and so skilfull in nauigation, that it might compare with the strongest citie of the world, and for a long time had the command of the sea round about, and vtterly abolished all Pirats and robbers from those parts.

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Diodorus Sicul. li. 6. faith, that it was called Rhodes of Rhodia a faire and beautifull maid, who was dearely beloued of Apollo, and therefore this Island was dedicated to the Sunne; for as Solinus faith, though the heavens be never fo cloudy yet the Sun shineth in Rhodes. Pindarus the Poetsbecause of the fertility of the soile. and the exceeding opulencie of the inhabitants) faith, that it rained gold in that country. In former times it flourished with learning and good arts, infomuch that the Romans for the most part fent their children to be brought up at Rhodes. This Isle is very fruitfull, and bringeth forth many things necessarie for the mainrenance of life, but aboue all, a certaine red wine which the Romans did greatly delight in, and valued at a high price. In this city lived that notable Painter called Protogines, which Apelles conquered in that science, as Pliny saith, lib. 35.ca. 10.

Demetrius King of Afia erected a notable Collossus or Statue of the Sun in this Isle, which that notable caruer Chares made, being outwardly all of pure braffe, but within nothing but stones; it was seventie cubits high, and so artificially made, that it was accounted for one of the wonders of the world. Afterward it was carried into Ægypt by the Ægyptians who woon the towne. This Isle is famous to this day: in times past it was accounted one of the keys of Christendome, but at this day subject vnto the Turk: of which you may reade more in the Turkish History.

Of Patara.

DAtara was a Citie of Licia, so called of Patarus the builder thereof; who was the sonne of Apollones, or Lacones, as Strabo and Servius saith: it was scituated vpon the South side of Asia the lesse, close by the shore of the Mediterranean sea, 408 miles from Ierusalem towards the Northwest. Ptolomaus Philadelphins K.of Ægypt inlarged this city, and called it after his fifters name, Arsinoës Lysiaca, to put a difference betweene it and other Cities called after that name; for there was an Arsinoe in Ægypt, and another neere Cyrene, where Apollo in certaine Moneths of the winter feafon (by the help of the Divel) gaue answer to them that fought

fought after him. S. Paul was in this towne, Acts 11. There was also another towne of this name in Achaia, where S. Andrew was crucified.

The Travels of S. Paul when he was taken captive and carried Prisoner to Rome.

N the 57 yeare after the nativitie of Christ, Paul being then 47 yeares of age, by the command of Claudius Lysius was taken and scourged by the Iewes, and brought thence to Antipatris by night (because there were forty lewes which had sworne his death) which was 12 miles, Acts 22,23,24.

From Antipatris hee was brought to Cæfarea Strato, which was 28 miles, where he was brought before Fælix (who was Prefident for the Romans in those parts) and was captine there for

the space of two daies, Atts 24,25,26.

In the 59 yere after the nativitie of Christ, Paul being then 49 yeares of age or thereabouts, was fent by Portius Festus President of the Iewes, to Rome: so Paul sailed from Cæsarea Strato, to Sidon, which was 84 miles, Acts 27.

From thence Paul sailed close by Cyprus, because the winde was contrarie, and came to the sea ouer against Cilicia (which was very trouble fome) and so passing by Pamphilia they came to Myra, which was 480 miles.

Loofing from Myra they failed to Gnidum, which was 248

miles, Acts 27.

From Gnidum they failed towards the South, and came to Crete, and so passed by the townes of Salmo, Laswa, and Assus, and so came to Phœnicia, which was 180 miles.

From Phoenicia they came to the Island of Claudia, which

was 108 miles.

From the Island of Claudia they came to Melite, which now is called Malta: in which place they suffered shipwracke, and Paul shooke off the Viper off his hand into the fire, and did manie other miracles, which was 720 miles.

From Malta they failed in althip of Alexandria, to Syracufus, in Sicilia, which was 180 miles: Paul at this time was 50 yeares of age, Afts 28.

From Syracusa they sailed to Regium, which was 52 miles. From thence they went to Puteola, which was 164 miles.

From Puteola they went to Apiforum, which was 12 miles: there certaine Christians of Rome came to meet them, aboue 22 miles, and received *Paul* with great friendship.

From Apiforum they led him to Tribatera, which is fix miles,

and there he met more Christians.

From Tribatera he went to Rome, being 16 miles, wherehee remained two yeares prisoner, and there wrote his Epistles to the Galathians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, Philemon, and the Hebrews: so all these Trauels were 2300 miles.

And in the whole, from his first beginning, vntill his being

prisoner in Romewere, 10270 miles.

But being deliuertd out of prison, the last ten yeres of his age he did not only preach the Gospell in Asia and Creta, where he appointed his disciple Timothy to be a Bishop, and in Macedonia, (where being in Neapolis he wrote an Epistle to Titus, and sent it to him aboue 300 miles to the Isle of Creta) but also he preacht the Gospell, and spred the word of God abroad in the countrie of Spaine, Rom. 15, which is distant from Ierusalem 2800 miles: and being the second time imprisoned in Rome, he wrote his second Epist. to Timothy, & sent it aboue 996 miles to Ephesus: not long after, he was beheaded in Rome, in the place called Via Ostens.

Of the townes and places to which he translled.

Of Antipatris.

He towne of Antipatris is distant from Ierusalem twelue miles towards the Northwest. In times past it was called Caphar Zalama, that is, a Village of peace. There Indus Macanabeus Ouercame Nicanor, 1 Mac. 7. Afterward Herod that lived in the time of our Sauiour Christ, built this towne much fairer,

and called it after the name of his father, Antipatris. It stood in a very pleasant and fruitfull soile, having many faire trees and fresh waters about it, Iof. lib. 16.ca.7. S. Paul was by night brought prifoner into this towne, Atts 23.

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of Myra.

This was a great town, as Strabo, li. 14. faith, and stood in Asia minor, in the province of Licia, vpon the coast of the Mediterranean sea, 380 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. S. Paul was in this towne.

of Gnidus.

This towne lieth in Asia minor, upon the Mediterranean sea, in the Pennissida called Doris, which by a narrow point joineth unto the Province of Caria, and is distant from Ierusalem 492 miles. In this town the goddesse Venus had a great temple, wherin her image was placed, made by that cunning workman Praxiteles, of Marble stone; and for that cause Horace calleth Venus Queene of Gnido, Lib. 1. carm. Od. 30. O Venus Regina Gnijda Paphiq;, that is, o Venus Queene of Gnidus and Paphos, & c.

There came many learned men out of this towne, as Eudoxus,

Agatarchides, Paripateticus, Theopompus, and others.

This towne is yet standing, and (as it is thought) it tooke the name of the fish Gnidus, which is taken there in the sea; which sich is of so strange a nature, that if you take it in your hand it stingeth like a nettle. At this day this towne hath another name, and is called Cabo Chrio, as Conradus Gesnerus in his Onomastico written.

of Creta.

The Island of Creta tooke the name (as Strabo saith) from the people called Curetes that dwelt in this Island: those people wied to cut all the haire off from the foreparts of their heads, and therefore they would not endure to suffer any man to weare his haire being in the warres; for which cause in the Grecian tongue they were called Couretts, and in time this name by corruption of speech was changed, and they called Cretans. This Island standeth in the Mediterranean sea, between Græcia and Africa, 600 miles

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miles from Ierusalem toward the West. It is a great Island, being 200 miles long, 48 miles broad, and in compasse 588 miles: it is very fruitfull of Cypresse trees, Malmsey, Sugar, and other spices: the Malmsey taketh the name from the towne of Maluesia, in Peloponessus, standing upon the point of Malta, right oueragainst Creta or Candia; and at this day the like wine is made in Creta, and called by the same name, from whence it is commonly brought unto vs, though in times pass it came out of this Island of Chius.

Among all the hills that are found in the Island of Creta, the hill Ida is most spoken of because of the height: about it standeth divers townes and villages: it hath many hills and woods; for the Island is very full of sweet Cypresse trees, insomuch that there are woods full of them. Pliny writes, that vpon a time there was fuch an Earthquake in this Island, that one of the hills remoued, out of which there came a man being forty cubits high. In this Island there are no venomous beasts, but in times past it was inhabited by cruel! people, of whom S. Paul complaineth in his first Epistle to Titus, cap. r. where he rehearseth the saying of Epimenides, which was after this manner, The people of Creta are always liers, evill beafts, and flow bellies. And to conclude, they refemble fome of the Friers among the Papists; for as they are idle people and shaue their heads, so were the men of Creta. Titus (Pauls disciple) was a Bishop in this Island, and S. Paul wrote an Epissle to them, and to Nicapolis, and fent it them about 320 miles. This Island in times past was very rich & populous, for in it there was 100 townes; the chiefe of which were Gnossos, Cortyna, and Zydon, but Gnossos was the most principall and antientest, wherin King Minos kept his court: in it the notable Geographer Strabo was borne.

This town of Gnossos in times past was called Ceratur, of the river Cerata which passeth by it; but now it and all the Island is called Candia. The Venetians every three yeares appointed a new Duke to governe it. In this Island stood the townes of Salmona and Lassica, (by Pliny called Lass) and in the middle between those two towness was the haven of Gutsur, whereof Saint Lukemaketh mention in the Atts of the Apostes, cap. 27. saying.

That Paul counsailed the Saylers that were in the ship to anchor there, and stay the Winter season in that Island: but the Captain of the ship gave more credit to the Master of the ship, than to Pauls words, wherby in the end they were in danger of their lives. The townes of Salmona and Lassica, with the haven of Gutsurt, lay Southward in this Island, upon the coast of the Mediterranean sea: somewhat distant from them stood the towne of Asson, by Pliny called Assum, where they hoised out their boate and sayled Northward; and because they had a faire South-winde, they thought to saile to Phoenicia, a haven in Creta, but the winde comming about to the East, drave them backe againe into the sea, by which meanes they were in danger of their lives.

This Island was brought under the subjection of the Romans 66 yeares before the birth of Christ, and so for a long time continued, untill the Saracens entred therein, and tooke it from the Romans, 800 yeares after the birth of Christ. After that, in the yeare of our Lord 979, the Emperour of Constantinople draue the Saracens out of the Island, and kept it, but in the end the Venetians brought it under their subjection and seigniorie, in the yeare of our Lord 1202, and at this day it is called Candia.

of Clauda.

Lauda is an Isle not farre from Creet, lying towards the Southwest in the Mediterranean sea, 288 miles from Ierusalem towards the West: at this day it is called Porto Gabaso; here the Saylers, the Apostele Paul and the rest of the company, haled over-bord their Cock-boat and tyed it to their ship, and fell to tawing less they should have been sunke into Syrtis, a dangerous gulph upon those seas. Acts 270

of Syrtis.

This is a gulph of the sea lying vpon the shore of Africa, in which the water is both troublesome and the shore dangerous, because of Quick sands; and in this there are two places most remarkeable, called by the name of Syrtis, from drawing and attracting ships vnto them, by which they were greatly endangered: the one was called the greater, the other the lesse; the greater

greater lay 1000 miles from Ierusalem towards the West, but the other lay under the Isle of Mylete towards the South, being distant from Ierusalem 1320 miles towards the West: in this place it was where Paul and his companians were in fuch danger, mentioned, Acts 17.

Of Mylete.

His Island was so called from the great aboundance of hony 1 that was found in it; but at this day it is called Malta, scituated in the Mediterranean sea, 1340 miles from serusalem towards the West. It isvery pleasant and fruitfull; bringing forth great plenty of Wheat, Rye, Flax, Comin, Cotton, Figs, Wine, Rofes, Violets, Tyme, Lauender, and many other sweet and delightfull herbes from whence Bees did gather great plentie of honey. The Sunne is very hot in this Island, infomuch that by the extreame feruor thereof, the inhabitants lose their naturall complexion, and looke of a tawnie colour. In Summer euenings there falleth great plenty of dewes, whereby the earth is refreshed, and the herbes increased. There is neither snow nor frost seene in it, for the Northerne windes (which with vs are the authors of cold and frosts) with them procure raine, which greatly refresheth and increaseth the fruits of the earth; so that the pastures and medowes become very pleasant and full of graffe: and although it be but 28 miles long, and 60 miles about, notwith standing it is very populous; for in the eight parishes that stand in this Isle, there is numbred aboue twentie thousand men. The inhabitants are very honest, religious and godly; and the women faire, chaste, and modest, for they neuer come abroad but with their faces couered. The children that are borne in this country feare not any fnakes, neither are hurt be any thing that is venomous, infomuch that they will take Scorpions and eat them without danger, although in all other parts of the world those kinde of creatures are most pernirious. In this Isle also there are bred a kinde of Dogs that are but small, yet very white and shagged, and so louing that the inhabitants of all the neighbouring countries will buy them, though they be at deare rates.

The chiefe citie thereof (called Malta) is fo Grougly fortified

both by art and nature, that it is almost impossible to be conquered, vnlesse it be either by treason or famin. The tower or Castle thereof is fortified with the knights of S. Iohns Order, who have mightily expressed their valour and resolution in defending this town from the Turks. About a mile from this, the ruins of a goodly faire city are to bee feene. And vpon the East promontorie, a little from the city of Malta, there yet remain the decaies (which are worthy to looke vpon) of a goodly temple dedicated to Iung. It feems by what remaineth, that this church hath bin a fair and

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goodly thing in times past.

There is also here and there in the earth found certaine braffe monies, having vpon the one fide a superscription written in Greeke letters, and vpon the other the image of Iuno. There flood vpon the South fide of Malta a Temple dedicated to Hercules, the ruins of which are yet extant; and in it are found monuments worthy of admiration. At such time as the Captaine of Massamissa King of the Numidians had conquered this Island, amongst other pretious things that he found in these Temples, he tooke thence a great deale of goodly Ivorie: but that religious King did faithfully restore all those things backe again, and dedicated them to the seuerali Temples. Thus we may perceive that the inhabitants of this Isle of Malta were wholly given to idolatry and superstition, vntil such time as Paul by the inconstancy and vehemeneie of the winde was driven upon it, and converted them from that peruerse and prophane worship to the Christian Religion, at such time as he suffered shipwracke, and Wintered amongst them, Atts 27. The inhabitants shew upon the North part of this Isle, the place where the ship was cast away wherein the Apostle Paul was: in which place they have built up a Chappel, and dedicated it to Saint Paul. They shew also a Caue, in which they fay he lived; and they verily beleeve that he expelled all venome and poylon out of that Island at such time as he was there.

It was first subject vnto the Africans, as may appeare by certaine Marble Pillars which are heere and there found, in which there are ingrauen certain Characters of the Carthaginians, not much vnlike to Hebrew letters. And although the Inhabitants

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are Christians, yet their speech is much like the Saracens, which differeth little or nothing from the antient Punick. At such time as Dide built Carthage (which is thought to be 890 years before Christ) Battus was King of this Isle, and held a confederacy with Dido: for when Hyarbas King of the Gelutians made warre vpon Dido, because he could not obtain her in matrimony, she received ayd from his Battus; and when for the love of Aneas the had kil. led her felf, Hyarbas having conquered Carthage, banished her si. fter Anne, who was entertained by this Battus. But Hyarbas taking that vnkindly, made war vpon Battus, and conquered the Island of Malta: so it continued in the jurisdiction of the Carthaginians a long time after, vntill the Carthaginians were conquered by the Romans; and then one Titus Sempronius (about such time as Hannibal brought his army before Trebia) woon it, 217 yeares before Christ. And after it continued under the jurisdiction of the Romans 130 yeares, and then it was conquered by the Saracens; but they held it not long, for Roger Norman King of Sicilia got it out of their power, An. D. 1090. And so it continued in the hands of the Sicilians til An. Dom. 1520. And then Charles the fift being Emperor, gaue it to the Knights of faint lobn, vpon condition that they should oppose the Turkes gallies, and defend that part of Christendome. So the Knights of S. John together with their gouernor failed to Malta, & so fortified it, that it is impossible to be taken vnleffe by famine or treason. There were many famous Bishops that lived in this place, and very devout Christians. In the time of the Emperor Theodosius there was a Councel held, at which were present 240 Bishops. At this day this Bishopricke is Subject to the Archbishop of Palermo; and the chiefe governement of the Isle is in the power of the Knights of S. Iohn,&c.

of Syracusa.

This was a City of the Isle of Sicilia, built by one Archia of Corinth, standing close by the sea shore on the North side of the 1sle, 2756 miles from Ierusalem towards the West. It was a faire and goodly city, in antient time called Tetrapolis, because it was divided into three parts; one of which parts stood in the

Isle of Ortygia, separated from the continent with a little streit sea, and with that famous fountain Arthusia. The other part was called Acradine, and the third Tycha; to which in after-times there was built vp a fourth, and called by the name of Neapolis. All this city was compassed in with three walls, so strong and so admirably fortified both by Nature and Art, that it opposed the Carthaginians in equalitwar. It was called Syracufa, from drawing or fucking; and in processe of time obtained the whole jurifdiction and government of that Isle which was fowell peopled in the time of Diany size the Tyrant, that he was able to make and maintaine an Army of one hundred thousand foot, and twelve thousand Horse. There were two hauens in that part which was called Ortygia, formaruellously fortified with such huge Rockes and other munition, that they were wonderfull to looke vpon. There also stood a Castle or Tower called by the name of Mercia, which was fo strong, that when all the rest of the Town was conquered, yet that maintained Warre for a long time. In this Hold the Kings and Tyrants of this Countrey viually kept their Treasures and other things that were materiall. There were many worthy and famous Princes ruled in it; but aboue them all, Dionysius the elder exceeded the rest. Who when hee saw what aboundance of Vessels of gold and silver Dionysius the younger had heaped together, cried out and said, In te Regius affect us non est, qui ex tanta posularum vi amicum neminem conciliasti: That is. Verily the minde of a King is not in thee, that out of fo many Cups couldest not procure one Friend. For after hee was banished, and constrained to keepe a Schoole. Both these Diony sians were learned men and great Philosophers. It is thought that this Island was sometime a part of Italy, and ioyning to the field of Brutius; but in time through the violence of the sea separat from the continent. From whence it was called Sicilita and also Trinacris, because there were three mountaines standing upon three promontories in three seueral places of it, giving the proportion of a triangle: for there was an angle toward the South, called Pactinus, another towards the Southwest called Lilyb aus, and another called Pelorus, which lay distant neer about two miles from Italy. In times past it was under the command of the Romanes;

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but now the Spaniards haue chiefe gouernment of it. There are many things remaining to this day worthy observation, but chie-My the mountain Ætna, which still casteth out fire & smoke,&c.

Of Rhegium.

His was a town of Italy belonging to the family of the Bru-1 tians at first built by the Calcedonians and Messenians, vp. on the vtmost bounds of Italy toward the Sicilian sea, beeing diftant from that Isle 60 furlongs, and called by the name of Rhegium, as some thinke, from Rumpo, to breake; for that neere about the place where that town stood, the sea being very tempestuous, broke the Isle of Sicilia from the continent. Others think it was called Rhegium, because it was so strong and beautifulla Citie that it might well haue bin the feat of a Prince. Close by this city in the Sicilian sea there stands a rock somewhat aboue the water, representing in figure the proportion of a man, and round a. bout it are to be feen other little rocks like barking dogs. In this place the water is so extreme violent, and runnes with so strong a current, that it is very dangerous for mariners (especially such as are ignorant) to faile that way. Wherefore the Poets made this verse, to fignifie a man that stood in a dangerous and doubtfull estate:

Decidit in Scyllam cupiens vitare Charibdim,

Seeking to shun Charibdis curled waves, He thrusts himselfe into stern Scylla's jawes.

But that mariners might avoid these dangerous places, upon the Northangle of Sicilia in the promontorie of Petorus there is ereced a lofty tower, standing as a sea mark, that so they by that direction might escape these dangerous places. Not far from Scillari is to be seen another town of that rock called Scyllacus, but of the inhabitants it is commonly called Scyglius or Scyglio; and Rhegium alfoat this day is called Rezo and Reggio; of Antimnestus captain of Chalcedon: and as Strab. li. 6. saith, is scituated in Calabria, 1332 miles from Ierusalem Westward. Of

of Puteoli.

His city is in Campania, a countrey of Italy not farre from Naples, scituated on the sea shore, 1388 miles from Ierusalem Westward; taking that name from fountains or Wels of hot water, being built by the Salamians, as Eusebian saith, about such time as the Tarquins were banished Rome, 507 yeares before the natiuitie of Christ. It was antiently called Dicarchia, because of their fingular justice & noble gouernment. But when the Romans made war against Hannibal, they fortified this town to withstand his forces, and then called it Putcoli, which name it retained a long time after. At this day it is called Puzzoli.

At this city the Apostle Paul & his companions ariued when they failed into Rome, Acts 27. Between Puteoli and Baia there lieth the lake of Lucrinus, into which by the command of Auguflus Cafar, a Dolphin was thrown. Now there was a young Youth called Simon, the fon of a poore man dwelling in Baia, who vfually played among other youths vpon the banks of this lake; and feeing the Dolphin (12 being a strange fish in those parts, and verie amiable to looke vpon) did take great delight in it, and oft times fed it with bread and other things as he could get: infomuch as the Dolphin when it heard the boyes voice vpon the banks of the river, would refort to him & receive at his hand his accustomed food. Thus it continued fo long, that the Dolphin would suffer the boy to handle him, take him by the gils, play with him, yea and somtimes to get vpon his backe, then swim with him a great way into the lake, and bring him back again, and fuffer him to go safevponthe shore. After this manner hee continued for many yeares together, and in the end the youth died. Yet the Dolphin reforted to his viuall place, expecting his accustomed food from the hands of this boy; but missing him, he left the shore, languisht away and died. Concerning the nature of this fifth you may read more at large in Pliny, lib. 9. cap. 8.

Of Colossa.

His City is scituated in Phrygia a countrey in Asia minor. I necre the rivers of Lycus and Meander, 520 miles from lerusalem Northwestward, not farre from Laodicea; so called from the mighty statues and Colosso's that were set up in it. These cities, Colossa, Laodicea, and Hierapolis (where the Apostle Philip was put to death in the tenth yeare of Nero) a little before Pauls martyrdome were funke by an earthquake, which without doubt was a great judgement of God vpon them, because they refused the grace and comfort of the doctrine of the Gospel offered vnto them by the Apostles. The Epistle of Paul dedicated to the Co. lossians was sent by the hand of Onesymus from Rome vnto these towns, being 1080 miles. For although the Rhodians were called Colossians, because of that famous Colossus that stood there wet this city wherein Archippus and Philemon dwelt (to whom Paul directed that Epistle) stood in Phrygia a country of Asia minor, and not in Rhodes.

Of Nicopolis.

Nessus, not far from Philippus vpon the borders of Thrace, 920 miles from Ierusalem Northwestward. From hence the Apostle Paul wroth his Epistle to Titus, and sent it to Creet, 600 miles. There are many other cities of this name: one standing in Epyre, built by Augustus; another betweene Cilicia and Syria, built by Alexander in glory of his victorie against Darius. A fourth in Bythinia; a fift in the holy land, formerly called Emaus.

of Rome.

His city, if wee rightly confider the derivation of the name in Hebrew, was not built without the fingular providence of God, being derived of Rom, i. Hee hath exalted or made high. But the Grecians derive it from Romen, i. strength & power. Now although the providence of God extendeth to every Creature, may to the very haires of a mans head; yet where hee determines

to expresse his singular power, there hee worketh beyond the expectation of man. And who knowes not that the beginning of this City was meane, raised from a confused company, destitute both of civilitie, communitie, and lawes; yet hath it bin, and for the most part is the glory of the world, and the great commander of the Princes of the earth.

It was fo called at first by Romulus (as Livy, lib. 1. faith) who first built it, seuen hundred fifty and one yeares before the Natiuitie of Christ; being scituated vpon scuen hils, that is, Capitolinus, Aventinus, Palatinus, Cælius, Exquilinus, Viminalis, and Quirinalis. But after, when the City was compassed about with walls, the hill Ianiculus was inclosed within it. The Vallies that lay between these hils were so raised up with arches, vaults, and artificial mounts, that in processe of time they became levell with the top of some of those hills. It was beautified with faire and sumptuous buildings; so that as it was the head of the world for command and power, in like like manner it exceeded all the rest of the world for glory and riches, but principally for stately buildings. There were many goodly Temples, dedicated to Inpiter, Apollo, Afculapius, Hercules, Diana, Iuno, Minerva, Lucia, Concordia, Fides, Pietas, Pax, Victoria, Ilis, besides many other dedicated to other gods. But aboue all, that was the most sumptuous that was called Pantheon deorum; at this day called the Church of Alhallowes.

Moreouer, here was to be seen the princely Edifices of Kings, Emperors, Consuls, Senators, Patricians, and other Romans who were mighty in wealth and substance, built all of polished Marble, beautified with gold and silver, beside palaces, bulwarks, the atres, trium phant arches, statues, and such like, all which were glorious, and greatly adorned the city. But aboue all these, the house of Nerowas most worthy of observation, which to see to was built all of burnish gold very curiously wrought. Here also stood the monuments of the two Casars, Iulius and Augustus; also their statues, the one made of pure brasse, the other of white marble. Besides, there were many fruitfull orchards, water-courses, & wholsome bath, brought thither by Antonius, Nero, Dioclesian, and Confamine the Great.

Also the Emperor Conftantine erected many goodly churches for the vse of the Christians, & indowed them with great means: and amongst the rest that which was dedicated to Saint Iohn of Latteran, a faire and goodly Church, and for riches and curious workemanship might compare with the stateliest Temples that euer had beene in the world, most of the ornaments and images beeing made of Gold and Siluer: hee also erected the Vattican, which was dedicated to Saint Peter; and another holy house dedicated to Saint Paul; in either of which he placed their feueral fepulchres and monuments, bestowing extraordinary cost to beautifie them. So many were the gifts and gratuites of this Emperour, that they can scarce bee numbred: so that although the Emperour Trajan, and Boniface the fourth, Pope of Rome, bestowed great cost to beautifie and adorne the city; yet were they nothing comparable to that which this Emperor did. These things then beeing presented to your viewe, you might justly say, that Rome in her prosperitie and eminencie was the glory of the world: but as all estates are fickle and vncertain, still subject to varietie and change, so was this: first enuied of the world, because of the extreame oppression of her gouernours; and after made desolate by violence and force, all her former glorie beeing eclipsed, and the greatest part of these goodly buildings layed leuell with the ground. Thus have I shewed you what Rome was when it was in her prosperitie: It resteth now to shew what Rome is.

Rome at this day differeth as much from the antient Rome, as the substance from the shadow. For although the Pope hath beautified and adorned the West part of it with many faire and goodly buildings, and called it by the name of new Rome. Yet is it nothing comparable to the antient city, as it was when Augustus and Constantine the Great were Emperours thereof, neither doth it stand in the antient place: for the first Citic stood vpon the East side of Tyber, this vpon the West. The chiefe part of the other stood vpon the mountaines Capitolinus and Palatinus, vpon which were the stately buildings of Senatours, Kings, and Emperors, but now they lie desolate and waste. The Capitol also, and the Temple of supiter Feretrius (goodly Buildings)

beaten to the ground; onely fome ruins, to shew that such things there hath beene. And what now restet h, that are worthie note, are in the commaund and power of the Pope: which are not many; the most that can be named are the Vattican the tower of S. Angelo, the Popes Pallace, his banquetting house, and the gardens and walkes about it; which are fo well scituated, that they are a grace to all Rome, the rest are but ordinarie and common buildings. Thus may you fee that there is nothing in this world but hath a period, to which if with much labour it attaineth, then it commonly declineth, feldome continueth: for who knowes not with what labour, what perills by fea, what dangers by land, through how many forreine war res and Domesticke seditions, Rome was raised to her greatnesse? And how suddenly was all this lost? What the vertue and wisedome of grave and resolute Confuls, Captaines, and Commaunders had with great hazard heaped vp; thrusting their Capitol and other Treasuries ful, with the triumphant spoiles of forreine nations, was left to be confumed either by feditious fouldiers or prodigall Emperours, and the State left as a prey to those that were mightiest: so that they were accounted most honourable, that with most injurie could get to themselues either countenance to oversway authoritie, or opulency, to purchase eminency; insomuch that there hath been no action so euill, nor any attempt so pernicious in former times. but may be matcht in the declining of the Romane state. Where more murthers? where more corruption? where more oppression than is mentioned in Histories to bee practifed amongst the Romans? the liues of men, the state of Prouinces, and the crowns of Kings fold for money. But now her time is finished, and her ruins are left for succeeding ages to admire; that so in beholding, they might learne to know the difference betweene vertue and vice; and from thence conclude, That there is nothing permanent; and that those things wherein men most glorie, doe oftentimes foonest decay. For if this citie which commanded the nations & Princes of the earth (whose Colonies, Armies, Legions, confederacies, and treasures, were so mightie, and extended so farre, that there was almost no countrey vnconquered, or nation Oо that

that did not feare to heare the inhabitants therof named) is made defolate and laid leuell with the ground: what then may be faid of pettie Cities, Townes, Lordships, Manors, and Houses? shall not they likewise be subject to the like calamities, & wasted and destroyed through the continuance of time? Verily yea: Where-

fore let not the king glorie in his power nor the strong man in his strength, nor the rich man in his riches: but let him. that glorieth glorie in the Lord.

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